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1 PROCEEDINGS:

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3 THE COURT: we're here in the case of United States of  
4 America versus Raymond Lee Goldesberry. The clerk will  
5 announce the case later in the presence of the jury. But I  
6 thought it would be a good idea for me to come in here and  
7 introduce myself and meet you before we get started and maybe  
8 give you some ground rules since we haven't worked together  
9 before.

10 My name is John Antoon. I'm from Middle District of  
11 Florida. I've been a judge a long time, 38 years now. A lot  
12 of time in state court, and I thought I was sort of away from  
13 these kind of cases, but I see that I'm not.

14 So let me ask: Where's the Government?

15 MS. DIAL: Right here, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: And what is your name?

17 MS. DIAL: Chantelle Dial.

18 THE COURT: Chianne?

19 MS. DIAL: Chantelle, c-h-a-n-t-e-l-l-e; Dial, d-i-a-l.

20 (Discussion held off the record.)

21 THE COURT: Oh, yeah, right there. Chantelle. Okay.

22 And?

23 MR. MCWATERS: Kyle McWaters.

24 THE COURT: Okay.

25 And where are you from, Miss Dial?

1 MR. MCWATERS: Originally, I'm from Louisiana, actually.

2 THE COURT: Louisiana?

3 MR. MCWATERS: Uh-huh.

4 THE COURT: How'd you wind up here?

5 MR. MCWATERS: There -- kind of similar to you, just came  
6 here for the *McGirt* decision. Came here on a term position to  
7 help out the office.

8 THE COURT: Oh, okay.

9 MR. MCWATERS: Uh-huh.

10 THE COURT: Great. You in New Orleans?

11 MR. MCWATERS: Just -- just outside New Orleans.

12 THE COURT: So you missed the tornado the other day?

13 MR. MCWATERS: Yes. My family did, yeah.

14 THE COURT: Good.

15 MR. MCWATERS: Yeah. No, it was pretty good. But, yeah,  
16 heard about it.

17 THE COURT: You don't sound like you're from New Orleans.

18 MR. MCWATERS: Get that a lot.

19 THE COURT: And, Ms. Dial, where are you from?

20 MS. DIAL: I'm from Washington state, Your Honor. And I  
21 came out as a detail when *McGirt* first happened and then ended  
22 up staying.

23 THE COURT: Oh, okay.

24 And who's at counsel table with you?

25 MR. YOUNG: Good morning, Your Honor. My name is David

1 Young. I'm a special agent with the FBI.

2 THE COURT: Okay.

3 And for the defendant?

4 MS. BROWN: Good morning. Andrea Brown.

5 THE COURT: Okay.

6 MS. BROWN: This is my client, Raymond Goldesberry.

7 THE DEFENDANT: Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Okay. And where -- where are you from,  
9 Miss Brown?

10 MS. BROWN: I was born and raised right here in Tulsa.

11 THE COURT: Okay.

12 MS. BROWN: Spent a -- quite a bit of my childhood in this  
13 very building. My mother worked for Judge H. Dale Cook for 27  
14 years.

15 THE COURT: Wow. Okay.

16 MS. BROWN: And she and he did what you're so gracious to  
17 do for us, which is go to Tampa every year for the month of  
18 October to relieve the trial docket there.

19 THE COURT: Yeah. We used to -- really, before I got on  
20 the Court, it was so -- so backlogged that the judges never got  
21 to the civil cases.

22 MS. BROWN: Right.

23 THE COURT: So they relied on visiting judges to do the  
24 civil docket. It's not like that now.

25 Well, let me tell you what I -- what I expect. I don't

1 like sidebars. I try to avoid them. I know I can't. You will  
2 be up here for your peremptory challenges. But I think  
3 they're -- they're rude to the -- to the jury for one thing. I  
4 think it -- it diminishes the transparency we try to -- we  
5 strive for in the judicial system.

6 And a lot of times, the jury can figure out what you're  
7 saying anyway. So if there's a matter that you need to speak  
8 to me about, it likely will be outside the presence of the  
9 jury. I'll let them go, and I'll hear from you. And that  
10 includes objections. I don't want any speaking objections.

11 You state the basis for the objection. If I need to, I'll  
12 hear from the other side. And if it's more than a several-word  
13 response, then I'll send the jury out and take care of it.  
14 You're at a little bit of a disadvantage because of the  
15 situation here and my late arrival. Maybe some of these things  
16 we would have had a more full hearing on if -- if I had been  
17 here.

18 But be that as it may, I do not want -- I do not want the  
19 jury to hear your -- your arguments on objections. The -- I  
20 expect a fair degree of formality. I don't like first names to  
21 be used; the exception is children. If there's a child and  
22 I -- there may be in this case, you could refer to the child by  
23 their first name. But any adult, please use the surname.

24 All comments are directed to me. I think there was a  
25 little bit of hyperbole in the -- in the papers. I don't like

1 that. And I think it comes from talking more to one another  
2 than talking to me. I think you're less likely to do that if  
3 you're speaking to the Court. I run a -- what I like to think  
4 is a civilized proceeding.

5 I don't expect people to be here exceptionally early in  
6 the morning. Today's the exception because of the pending  
7 matters and wanting to have you familiar with my practices.  
8 But ordinarily, we'll start at 9:00; we won't work past 5:00;  
9 and we will break for lunch. I think that's important for  
10 anybody in trial.

11 I'm old, but I'm not so old that I don't remember what  
12 it's like to be a trial lawyer, and it's stressful business.  
13 And you need a break and the jury needs a break and the court  
14 reporter needs a break. I will tell the jury that I try to  
15 break every 90 minutes after we pick the jury for the benefit  
16 of the court reporter because of the incredible discipline and  
17 that -- that is required to do her work.

18 I will give you, no later than our -- our noon break,  
19 proposed jury instructions. They're a little bit different  
20 from what you gave me. We, in the Eleventh Circuit and in  
21 Florida state court, typically tell the jury to accept the  
22 facts as proven when there's a stipulation.

23 Think in the Eighth Circuit, it's a little bit different,  
24 so they're included as elements, although I will tell them  
25 you-all agreed to it. And they're -- so once you have these --

1 the proposed instructions, at your leisure, to the extent you  
2 have leisure when you're in trial, please go over them and make  
3 sure that they're okay and raise any issues with me.

4 In speaking of that, I'm -- it's never my intention to  
5 deprive anybody of making a record. But again, I try to use  
6 the jury while they're here. And if there's a proffer or  
7 something that can be taken up at lunch or after the jury's  
8 excused or early the next morning, that's when I want to do it.

9 I don't want to be doing those kinds of things while the  
10 jury's waiting unless it's absolutely necessary. There was a  
11 request for 15 minutes for opening statement. That's fine.  
12 There was an issue raised by the Government about Mr. Young  
13 being permitted to sit at counsel table. That motion is  
14 granted.

15 There was a request for the Rule -- implication of the  
16 Rule of Sequestration. That motion's granted. Counsel's  
17 responsible for explaining the Rule and assisting the Court in  
18 enforcing it.

19 Is it M. G. or M. V? Are that -- is that the same person?

20 MS. DIAL: It is, Your Honor. For a little while, the  
21 U.S. Attorney's Office was charging children who were related  
22 to the defendant with M. V. for minor victim.

23 THE COURT: Oh, okay.

24 MS. DIAL: But M. V. is K. G., Kaitlyn Goldesberry. It's  
25 all the same child.

1           THE COURT: Yes. Okay. Well, how are we going to refer  
2 to M. V., M. G. [sic] here?

3           MS. DIAL: I intend to refer to her as Kaitlyn.

4           MS. BROWN: I do as well.

5           THE COURT: Okay. Now, there are statements that were  
6 made -- allegedly made by Ms. Bartlett attributing the --  
7 attributing those statements to Kaitlyn; right? The defendant  
8 asserts in papers filed that the Government did not give the  
9 required 404 notice to use those statements.

10          And I understand the Government's position as being that  
11 you're not going to use those statements; is that correct?

12          MS. DIAL: That's correct, Your Honor.

13          THE COURT: Okay.

14          MS. DIAL: The only statements are the three that are in  
15 the 404(b) notice.

16          THE COURT: Okay. The Government has a motion in limine  
17 regarding 608(b) evidence, and they give examples of what they  
18 think character witnesses might say.

19          Is -- are you offering character evidence, Ms. Brown?

20          MS. BROWN: Your Honor, I do anticipate that we would have  
21 no more than two character witnesses.

22          THE COURT: What are you going to ask?

23          MS. BROWN: Only opinion and reputation questions.

24          THE COURT: Opinion and reputation questions.

25          MS. BROWN: Well, opinion or reputation, as opposed to

1 specific instances of conduct.

2 THE COURT: Tell me what the questions are.

3 MS. BROWN: You know, a -- one of them is a coworker -- a  
4 supervisor -- and the other is a longtime friend.

5 And, "Do you know Raymond Goldesberry? How do you know  
6 him? How long have you known him? Have you had an opportunity  
7 to observe him, you know, out in the community, his -- his  
8 character? Have you had an opportunity to observe him at the  
9 workplace and his character? Have you had an opportunity to  
10 observe him in the presence of one or more of his family  
11 members, including his wife or either one or both of his  
12 daughters? And do you have an opinion as to his reputation or  
13 character as far as any potential character issue that were to  
14 come into play? In this particular case, his character to be  
15 prone to molest one or both of his daughters?"

16 THE COURT: So you don't -- you're not really talking  
17 about reputation. You're talking about opinion.

18 MS. BROWN: Yes, both. "Are you aware of his rep" --

19 THE COURT: Oh, no.

20 MS. BROWN: Are --

21 THE COURT: Well, go ahead with your reputation testimony.  
22 I didn't hear that.

23 MS. BROWN: "Are you familiar with his reputation in the  
24 community? Are you" --

25 THE COURT: For what?

1 MS. BROWN: whether or not he has a -- a propensity to be  
2 interested or overly interested in children, particularly his  
3 own, in some kind of sexual way.

4 THE COURT: And the answer to that would be "yes?"

5 MS. BROWN: The answer to that would be that he -- they  
6 don't have any reason to believe or have never had any --

7 THE COURT: So he doesn't have a reputation either way?

8 MS. BROWN: I believe that -- that they would testify  
9 that, in their opinion, and based on his reputation in --

10 THE COURT: Well, you know, you keep going back to  
11 opinion. I -- can a witness come in and just give an opinion  
12 about somebody?

13 MS. BROWN: I believe based on their character and  
14 reputation but --

15 THE COURT: On reputation, yes. But you're not going to  
16 reputation.

17 MS. BROWN: Okay. And honestly, Your Honor, the -- our  
18 defense in particular is not heavily loaded on character  
19 evidence. We're not relying very heavily on that.

20 THE COURT: Well, that's a good point, so I don't -- I'll  
21 hear from the Government on that. But I want to talk about  
22 what this case is real -- my understanding of what this case is  
23 really about and see if I've got it right.

24 MS. BROWN: Okay.

25 THE COURT: What do you say about what defense is

1 intending to do with character witnesses?

2 MS. DIAL: I just want to clarify quickly, Your Honor,  
3 because the Court referenced the Government's motion in limine.  
4 Our motion in limine was concerns that defense counsel would  
5 attack Government's witnesses with irrelevant --

6 THE COURT: Yes, I'm sorry.

7 MS. DIAL: -- and extrinsic -- okay.

8 THE COURT: But this is another --

9 MS. DIAL: But now we're talking about the defendant's --

10 THE COURT: This is not -- this is reputation.

11 MS. DIAL: Yes.

12 THE COURT: You're right. I'm going to come back to that.

13 MS. DIAL: Our response to that, Your Honor, is similar to  
14 what we had in our trial brief. The character witnesses, if  
15 they're going to come and talk about Raymond Goldesberry is a  
16 good person, frankly, that's not a relevant character trait.  
17 And the rules require some relevancy rather than just filing in  
18 witnesses that know him, but don't know his family.

19 The Government actually called and talked to both and  
20 provided an update to defense counsel after talking to both of  
21 their character witnesses. Asked them what they'd intended to  
22 testify to. And both character witnesses said they really  
23 didn't even know the defendant's daughters and -- and we  
24 notified defense counsel of that.

25 So these are just men that know the defendant, that don't

1 know his daughters, don't know what happens in private, don't  
2 know his reputation with children. They frankly don't even  
3 know his children. And they're just coming in to improperly  
4 say that he's a good guy who works on cars with them.

5 THE COURT: I didn't hear anything in what Ms. Brown said  
6 that would indicate reputation for a pertinent, relevant  
7 character trait. I -- I'll allow her to proffer it if she  
8 thinks it's appropriate.

9 But I'm going to limit it until such time as there is a  
10 proffer, if you want to go forward with that. But I think  
11 that's an uphill battle, Ms. Brown.

12 MS. BROWN: Thank you, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Now, getting to the other issue, which was the  
14 motion in limine, does the Government wish to be heard on that?

15 MR. MCWATERS: Briefly, Your Honor. Basically just in --

16 THE COURT: What -- what document number is that? Mine  
17 came out -- came without a document number.

18 MS. DIAL: Fifty-four.

19 MR. MCWATERS: Fifty-four.

20 THE COURT: Okay. This is about a man named Nathan;  
21 right?

22 MR. MCWATERS: Nathan Bartlett, yes, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Yeah.

24 MR. MCWATERS: Very briefly, Your Honor, just to reply to  
25 the defense response in their trial brief. Two issues. The

1 first is that the defendant did not really address the issue  
2 that the Government brought up of child pornography materials  
3 found on an apartment computer after Nathan Bartlett left the  
4 Du- -- or Oklahoma Police Department.

5 So as far as the Government concern -- is concerned, this  
6 unrelated, irrelevant, you know, information does not go to our  
7 witness's character, and considers that issue resolved. The  
8 specific instance of Mr. Bartlett cuddling his daughter, Miss  
9 Bartlett, to respond to -- to that response by the defense, the  
10 first one is that they are clearly not identical acts.

11 The -- the issue in this case deals with a touching of a  
12 sexual nature and penetration. The -- what happened between  
13 Mr. Bartlett and his daughter, Meagan, is -- is not at all  
14 that. It's -- it's a simple cuddling in the middle of the  
15 night. He was asleep and threw his arm around her.

16 The only reason why the Government even wanted to bring  
17 this up was because, in an interview, two of -- two of the  
18 witnesses, Michelle and -- and Faith, mentioned that they had  
19 known about these allegations. So we asked our witnesses about  
20 them. And to their credit, they let us know exactly what  
21 happened.

22 But in the Government's view, they're -- they're certainly  
23 not identical acts and --

24 THE COURT: If they were identical acts, would it be  
25 relevant?

1           **MR. MCWATERS:** Well, that's my second point, Your Honor,  
2 is that it doesn't really matter what they are because the acts  
3 themselves do not go to the witness's character for  
4 truthfulness. So if anything, in this instance, they were  
5 forthright with the Government when we talked to them about it.

6           And then we -- we just think that there's a significant  
7 chance here for this testimony, if it were to come in, would  
8 mislead the jury. The Government doesn't see the necessity for  
9 a mini trial on Mr. Bartlett's character for truthfulness when  
10 none of the things that would even come up would go to his  
11 character for truthfulness.

12           **THE COURT:** Ms. Brown, do you wish to respond?

13           **MS. BROWN:** Yes, Your Honor. Thank you. Briefly. The  
14 Government is correct. I don't believe that anything that was  
15 found on a work computer after the fact and -- and before this  
16 case was involved is anything that we're going to go into.

17           It's nothing that I ever articulated in -- in any  
18 discovery or anything that I was planning on going into. So  
19 that -- that issue is resolved.

20           The issue that is -- and, by the way, Your Honor, when  
21 we're arguing, do you want me to approach the podium each time?  
22 Do you have a strong preference?

23           **THE COURT:** No.

24           **MS. BROWN:** Okay.

25           **THE COURT:** I can hear you fine here.

1 MS. BROWN: I just -- our local custom is, is lots and  
2 lots of back and forth. I just wanted to make sure I was  
3 not --

4 THE COURT: Yeah.

5 MS. BROWN: -- offending the Court now, since we don't  
6 have the -- the jury in here yet.

7 Your Honor, so Mr. Goldesberry has two daughters. The  
8 child at issue is Kaitlyn, and then his adult daughter is  
9 Faith.

10 THE COURT: How many years between them?

11 MS. BROWN: Four.

12 THE COURT: Okay.

13 MS. BROWN: Faith had conveyed to both her mother,  
14 Michelle, Mr. Goldesberry's wife, and myself in pretrial  
15 interview, that at some point in the past, Meagan Bartlett had  
16 conveyed to Faith Goldesberry that her father had grabbed or  
17 fondled her breasts while she was in his bed with him.

18 That, very much like Kaitlyn crawled into bed with her dad  
19 when Kaitlyn had a nightmare and that brings us to court today;  
20 that Meagan Bartlett had crawled into her father Nathan  
21 Bartlett's bed at some point in the past, and that he had  
22 grabbed and -- and touched and fondled her breast.

23 This, I believe, is very, very relevant for  
24 cross-examination, specifically with Meagan Bartlett,  
25 specifically because of the reaction that she had when she

1 found out about this incident involving Kaitlyn and Raymond  
2 Goldesberry, mother and -- or father and daughter in the bed,  
3 and that both Kaitlyn and Mr. Goldesberry have both con- -- and  
4 continue to say from the beginning to now that it was an  
5 accident and that he believed that he was touching his wife.  
6 And thus wasn't in any way an intent to sexually manipulate  
7 or -- or fondle his -- his daughter.

8 I believe that the testimony when Miss Bartlett, Meagan  
9 Bartlett, testifies, is she's going to say that she was so  
10 concerned out of -- to protect Kaitlyn, that she not only  
11 called Mr. Goldesberry a rapist, but she felt like she needed  
12 to tell Mrs. Goldesberry, Michelle Goldesberry, and then  
13 ultimately felt like she needed to call DHS and get the  
14 authorities involved in this situation when, in reality, it was  
15 a big accident.

16 I believe that for Meagan to be -- Miss Bartlett to be  
17 able to articulate on direct what she did and why, I think  
18 calls into question why she didn't believe it was a situation  
19 that was alarming when it happened to her. I think that it --

20 THE COURT: Are you trying to show that she didn't really  
21 call?

22 MS. BROWN: No. I --

23 THE COURT: What are you trying to prove by that?

24 MS. BROWN: Well, I don't believe that -- I -- I believe  
25 that the testimony and evidence is going to show that Meagan

1 overreacted and that Miss Bartlett --

2 THE COURT: Well, if it -- if it's -- that brings me to  
3 the point of this case. I mean, to me, it -- we're going off  
4 in a lot of different directions, but there seems to be no  
5 issue that what happened happened.

6 MS. BROWN: Correct.

7 THE COURT: The question is whether it's an accident. So  
8 why -- what does this have to do with any of that?

9 MS. BROWN: Well, the larger issue, I believe, it --

10 THE COURT: I would see it -- excuse me -- but I would see  
11 the point if -- if maybe -- maybe I would see it, if it didn't  
12 happen. But everybody agrees it happened.

13 MS. BROWN: Yes, Your Honor. The -- the thing that  
14 everybody doesn't agree on is that -- is everything else that  
15 Meagan said. So Meag- --

16 THE COURT: Well, that's not coming in.

17 MS. BROWN: Well, okay.

18 THE COURT: All that list of -- the list of other things,  
19 that's not coming in.

20 MS. BROWN: Okay. And -- and as -- as long as none of  
21 that's coming in, then I think that the central issue here is  
22 why Meagan reacted the way that she did -- why Miss Bartlett  
23 reacted the way that she did and -- and...

24 THE COURT: And reported it?

25 MS. BROWN: Uh-huh, yes.

1           THE COURT: Well, wouldn't any -- wouldn't any rational  
2 person who heard that -- I mean, if -- in Florida, if I heard  
3 that, I would have a duty under the -- under Florida law to  
4 report it. Wouldn't any rational citizen report that?

5           MS. BROWN: I don't believe so, no, when it was an  
6 accident. And that's why I believe that when it's an -- when  
7 it's an accident because I don't believe that --

8           THE COURT: Well, you know, I -- that -- that goes to  
9 intent, I guess. But the fact is that it did happen. And I  
10 just don't understand why you're saying she overreacted. So  
11 what if she overreacted? That has nothing to do with what  
12 happened between her and her father.

13           MS. BROWN: Well, except that I believe that if the exact  
14 same thing happened between her and her father and it was an  
15 accident -- and by "exact same thing," I mean the touching of  
16 the breast instead of the touching of the vagina, but touching  
17 a private area of a minor child -- then if it wasn't alarming  
18 or concerning or something that -- that needed to be reported  
19 when it happened to her, why did she have --

20           THE COURT: How --

21           MS. BROWN: -- a different --

22           THE COURT: How -- how old was she when that allegedly  
23 happened?

24           MS. BROWN: I don't believe that she told that to Faith.

25           THE COURT: Well, this child didn't either. It's

1 consistent.

2 I don't -- let me hear from the Government.

3 MR. MCWATERS: Your Honor, I don't have very much to add.  
4 A couple of things. One, as you pointed out, the defendant's  
5 act is not at issue here, whether or not it happened. So we're  
6 not trying to impeach Meagan's -- the testimony as to what  
7 she -- wheth- -- whether or not she reported it. There's no  
8 issue here as to Nathan Bartlett's testimony either. So those  
9 things are not at issue.

10 And then the other thing is that Mr. Bartlett was, at the  
11 time, working as a law enforcement officer, and so he was a  
12 mandatory reporter, as you brought up. So anything that was --  
13 that -- that he heard, he had a -- a duty to -- to tell his  
14 daughter that that needed to be reported. So that -- that's  
15 all the Government would add, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Government's motion is -- objection is  
17 sustained.

18 Okay. That brings us to the 404 -- or 414; are you just  
19 offering this under 404, or is it a 414 issue?

20 MS. DIAL: Actually, Your Honor, the Court goes to the  
21 heart of what part of my oral argument was going to be. The  
22 only reason this is not 414 evidence, the two acts -- there's  
23 the tampon removal and the -- and then Mr. Goldesberry, the  
24 defendant, being caught by his wife apparently shaving Faith's  
25 genitals.

1 The only reason it's not 414 is because the defendant and  
2 his family insist on innocent intent. And actually, Your  
3 Honor, I meant to bring this up. I'm not sure if the Court  
4 prefers -- I know the Rule of Sequestration is for when  
5 witnesses are testifying. I believe both of us are going to be  
6 discussing anticipated testimony of Michelle Goldesberry, in  
7 particular, who is in the courtroom right now.

8 THE COURT: Miss Goldesberry, please remove yourself from  
9 the courtroom, and don't come back until counsel calls.

10 MRS. GOLDESBERRY: Yes, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Thank you. Counsel has not had an opportunity  
12 to explain to you, Miss Goldesberry, the ramifications of  
13 invoking the Rule of Sequestration as it applies to witnesses,  
14 but that means you're not to discuss your testimony with  
15 anybody.

16 You're not to ask anybody about the testimony they've  
17 given in court when they leave. And you can talk to counsel;  
18 but, otherwise, until you're called to testify, you should  
19 remain outside the courtroom.

20 MRS. GOLDESBERRY: Yes, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay? Thank you, ma'am.

22 (Discussion held off the record.)

THE COURT: We'll make sure she's comfortable.

24 MS. BROWN: Thank you.

THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Take her to a witness room --

1 MS. BROWN: Thank you.

2 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: -- across -- yeah.

3 THE COURT: Okay.

4 Go ahead.

5 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor.

6 The crux of this case is the defendant's intent, as the  
7 Court has laid out. There's no question that it happened. He  
8 admitted that it happened. Ultimately, the Government  
9 anticipates there are going to be -- there will be two  
10 questions for the jury to decide: first, the child's age  
11 because her statements about that have changed recently, but  
12 mostly what the defendant intended to do.

13 In the defendant's res- -- response to the Government's  
14 404(b) notice, the defendant lays out that these three acts  
15 aren't related at all and relies on the reasoning being that  
16 because for the two with Faith, the defendant was fully awake,  
17 and his intent wasn't sexual. But that accepts his  
18 explanation, his -- his intent, the explanation he's given for  
19 his intent for all three of these.

20 And that's why all three are relevant for the jury to hear  
21 and are necessary for the jury to hear. He says that he was  
22 asleep. He was half-asleep and that he thought it was his wife  
23 and it was a mistake. That's why we're here today. In the  
24 other two, he says Faith asked him for help removing the  
25 tampons. Faith told a counselor that she was about 14.

1           Relevantly, we're talking about actions that all likely  
2 occurred within the same year because the defendant, when he's  
3 interviewed by Child Protective Services, said that he  
4 digitally penetrated Kaitlyn three -- and then in a later  
5 meeting, he says three or four years later [sic], so when  
6 Kaitlyn was 10 or 11.

7           Faith is four years and two months older than Kaitlyn.  
8 Kaitlyn told her counselor -- or, excuse me, Faith told her  
9 counselor that when she was 14, her dad helped her remove  
10 tampons, plural, and helped her shave her genitals at her  
11 request. This all didn't come out until CPS's investigation  
12 three or four years later.

13           So at that point, the defendant is already faced with this  
14 allegation. Kaitlyn's already gone to the forensic interview.  
15 She's already said there was a digital penetration. And then  
16 these other acts all come out at the same time. And as he  
17 explains all three and as the family backs him up on all three,  
18 in each, they determine and they assign what his intent was:  
19 medical, just assistance, or asleep and mistake.

20           And that's the question for the jury. That's the question  
21 that the jury has to understand, or has to decide. And to do  
22 that, the jury should be allowed to hear about each of these  
23 acts occurring within the same general window, and then  
24 determine the defendant's intent for themselves. He said he  
25 had no sexual intent or motive in any of the three.

1           Kaitlyn, Faith, and Michelle all say he had no sexual  
2 intent or motive, but that's why the jury's here. And so to  
3 narrow in on just the one digital penetration because that's  
4 the one that he's -- that his intent, he says, was different  
5 because he can justify the others, it's -- it's accepting his  
6 explanation for the intent.

7           And -- and as I started with and as the Court asked,  
8 notably, if the defendant and his daughter, Faith, hadn't  
9 justified his intent and motive, those other two acts likely  
10 would have been admissible as 414 evidence, similar crimes in  
11 child molestation. But by the time DHS investigated in 2020,  
12 Faith was then 18. She was still living at home, financially  
13 dependent.

14           And she and the family agreed with this version of events  
15 that negated any sexual intent or motive by the defendant in  
16 any of the three. The only reason that the tampon removal and  
17 the genital shaving aren't 414 is because the defendant and his  
18 dependent, but young adult, child maintain that there was no  
19 sexual intent or motive.

20           And frankly, in charging the case, those were the two  
21 that, because of their explanations, because they buckled down  
22 so hard on the intent, that wasn't -- those weren't viable  
23 charges in the Government's view. But to have both of those  
24 and then to be escalating, to take the conduct a step further  
25 and now have actual denit -- digital penetration and, like the

1 other two, explain it away with no sexual intent, is  
2 concerning. It's relevant.

3 His intent, his lack of accident, his motive, are central  
4 to this trial and the key issue that the jury has to decide.  
5 And to determine if his motive when he digitally penetrated  
6 Kaitlyn was to derive sexual gratification by touching his  
7 son -- by touching his daughter's genitals, the jury must know  
8 his other acts and his other justifications.

9 THE COURT: So do you maintain that Faith was below 14?  
10 Under 14 when that happened?

11 MS. DIAL: She told a counselor that she was 14.

12 THE COURT: She was 14.

13 MS. DIAL: Yes.

14 THE COURT: Does that take it out of the purview of Rule  
15 414?

16 MS. DIAL: My reading of the rule did -- if I could have  
17 just a moment to get there -- because of the way child  
18 molestation was described for the deriving sexual pleasure or  
19 gratification. When looking at this case, the defendant, in  
20 his admission for the digital penetration, clearly said his  
21 intent was to stimulate and arouse.

22 He just rests on, he thought it was his wife. So the  
23 tampon removal and the genital shaving where he's caught by his  
24 wife and says that's what he's doing, those -- beyond being  
25 very similar in him -- him touching his daughter's genitals,

1 there wasn't other evidence that, in my view to charge, I could  
2 have shown deriving sexual pleasure.

3         The three together, though, and the three instances of  
4 justification for his actions and a family that supports and  
5 buys into that justification is what makes those so relevant,  
6 which is why I had labeled them as 404(b). In the context of  
7 all of it, in the context of he says his intent with Kaitlyn  
8 was sexual gratification, albeit his excuse is that he thought  
9 it was his wife, within that context, then, yes, touching his  
10 other son -- daughter's genitals at the same time could be  
11 presumed for also sexual gratification.

12         THE COURT: Well, I guess if the child is 14, then this  
13 rule doesn't apply -- 414 doesn't apply; is that correct?

14         MS. DIAL: Yes, Your Honor.

15         THE COURT: So then you're left with 404, and you've got  
16 kind of an uphill battle there, don't you?

17         MS. DIAL: It is not the clearest 404(b). I --

18         THE COURT: You know why is because this rule has gone  
19 through so many changes. The concept has gone through so many  
20 changes over the years largely, I think, because of child sex  
21 crimes. And it's been relaxed and massaged as 414. I mean,  
22 that's evidence of what I'm talking about.

23         But what you're getting at here is really a propensity to  
24 engage in touching, but it's not similar. It's not the same  
25 child. And the question is whether it shows lack of mistake or

1 intent.

2 MS. DIAL: I understand what the Court's saying. The  
3 difference, I think, is that it's not his propensity to touch  
4 his daughters. It is this family dynamic of the defendant does  
5 something for sexual gratification involving his daughters'  
6 genitals, and then the family justifies and accepts his stated  
7 motive.

8 That's what's so concerning and what links them because,  
9 otherwise, I would agree. But what we have here is the same  
10 scenario. The adult daughter, Faith, when she's 14, her mom  
11 walks in and the def- -- and catches the defendant down near  
12 his daughter's genitals, and he says, "I was helping her  
13 shave."

14 And the child backs him up. She backs up his intent and  
15 says -- well, this is what she says, then, three years later,  
16 that she backed up his intent and she said, "Yes, Dad was just  
17 helping me shave."

18 And that's what the jury's going to hear again today from  
19 the next daughter is she's in bed with him. He digitally  
20 penetrates her. She doesn't know if he's awake or asleep. She  
21 can't know entirely. He says, "I was half-asleep. This was a  
22 mistake."

23 And she parrots that. And so it's the motive within each  
24 of these three, not that he likes to go and touch children. In  
25 fact, if he had -- well, it's his motive with all three, and

1 then more importantly his justification. He explains away his  
2 intent in each of the three -- in each of the other two, just  
3 as he's done to- -- as he's doing today and just as --

4 THE COURT: Not really. He says --

5 MS. DIAL: -- his child will do.

6 THE COURT: He says that Faith asked him for help on the  
7 other two occasions, so it's different in that respect.

8 MS. DIAL: It is. It's similar in that the child agrees  
9 with what he says the intent and purpose was. If the Court  
10 doesn't allow direct examination on these two acts, I -- just  
11 to be as transparent as possible, the Government does  
12 anticipate that the defendant would open that door through --  
13 possibly through cross-exam, but much more likely through  
14 testimony, including the opinion testimony that's already  
15 happened.

16 If there's opinion testimony of the defendant being a good  
17 father who's appropriate with his children, the Government  
18 would see that as opening the door. The anticipated testimony  
19 of the counselor -- the family counselor who apparently didn't  
20 know about any of this and who also is expected to say that she  
21 saw no issues with the family. There were no concerns.

22 And the Government believes that, at that point, evidence  
23 of these two acts, if the defendant's -- if the defense is  
24 going to be that this was all a mistake and he had absolutely  
25 no intent and he is not inappropriate with his daughters, then

1 the Government would consider these other two to be relevant  
2 extrinsic acts that could come in on cross in the defendant's  
3 case.

4 THE COURT: Okay. Okay. Thank you.

5 Ms. Brown?

6 MS. BROWN: Your Honor, despite what the Government is  
7 asserting orally, Your Honor is correct, that they are  
8 attempting to admit these two acts to establish, whether they  
9 say so or not, that the defendant has a propensity to want to  
10 be around or engage in the touching of his daughters' genitals.

11 First of all, it's been undisputed from the very beginning  
12 of this investigation all the way until today, that both  
13 Raymond -- Mr. Goldesberry and Faith Goldesberry, his adult  
14 daughter, the not-victim, both of them have maintained from the  
15 very beginning that Faith asked for assistance in removing her  
16 tampons on more than one occasion. That Faith asked her father  
17 for help shaving her bikini line.

18 Interestingly, it needs to be noted that when Faith and  
19 Mr. Goldesberry were in the bathroom for the shaving incident,  
20 Faith was wearing a swimming suit, so her genitals weren't even  
21 exposed. And even if Mr. Goldesberry were -- was actually  
22 shaving her bikini line, it was covered, much like it would be  
23 if you were out in a public pool. Furthermore, the door to the  
24 bathroom was open.

25 So this is not something that was -- you know, that he was

1 trying to do surreptitiously behind closed, locked doors. It  
2 just so happened that when Faith needed the assistance, Mr.  
3 Goldesberry was up, and Mrs. Goldesberry was asleep. Prior to  
4 even beginning to shave the bikini area, he just had the razor  
5 in his hand and the bathroom door was open, and I believe the  
6 testimony will be that Faith had her leg propped up on the  
7 kitchen sink or kitchen --

8 THE COURT: You're better arguing the 404 issue rather  
9 than the facts. You know, the facts are not really helpful to  
10 your client --

11 MS. BROWN: Okay.

12 THE COURT: -- in my view.

13 MS. BROWN: Well, a -- a major portion of the reason that  
14 it is not 404 is that Faith, in this particular situation --  
15 obviously, it's a different child. It's a different time.  
16 It's a different -- it's a -- it -- it's an act that was done  
17 consensually with it being instigated by the child.

18 That said, it doesn't go to his lack of mistake or  
19 accident in -- in digitally penetrating Kaitlyn because all  
20 it -- this does is this highly, highly prejudicial evidence  
21 comes in for them to attempt to establish -- for the Government  
22 to attempt to establish for the jury --

23 THE COURT: Well --

24 MS. BROWN: -- the defendant's propensity.

25 THE COURT: -- is it highly prejudicial because you argue

1 that it's not; that it's just -- there's nothing wrong with it?

2 MS. BROWN: Well, I believe that in the context of if --  
3 if --

4 THE COURT: I mean, and to a lot of people, it would  
5 sound, like, pretty extraordinary. But your position is kind  
6 of inconsistent because you say this is just okay.

7 MS. BROWN: Well, I believe in the context of the fact  
8 that my client, Mr. Goldesberry, the biological father of the  
9 child in question, was an EMT and has medical training and  
10 experience; that -- that in the confines of this family, that  
11 she felt comfortable asking her father for medical assistance,  
12 I don't think is inappropriate. That said, I agree with --

13 THE COURT: So it's not a bad act, then.

14 MS. BROWN: Well, and I would agree with Your Honor that  
15 there are many potential jurors out there that would find it  
16 concerning and -- and not appropriate.

17 THE COURT: Yeah.

18 MS. BROWN: And -- and I believe that Michelle  
19 Goldesberry -- Mrs. Goldesberry will say that when she walked  
20 by and saw the shaving about to happen, that she took over  
21 because she believed that it was inappropriate as well.

22 So if the -- the Government's going to get into this with  
23 either Faith Goldesberry or Mrs. Goldesberry or potentially the  
24 defendant, it would be potentially highly prejudicial for any  
25 juror who believed, as this Court does and as Michelle

1 Goldesberry does, that this wasn't an appropriate --

2 THE COURT: I didn't say what I believed.

3 MS. BROWN: Oh.

4 THE COURT: I'm just saying I think a lot of people  
5 would --

6 MS. BROWN: Okay. And I --

7 THE COURT: -- think that way.

8 MS. BROWN: -- do think a lot of people would.

9 I think for Mr. Goldesberry and for Faith, considering the  
10 circumstances of their family dynamic, I don't believe that  
11 it's necessarily inappropriate, at least from their  
12 perspective. That said, the reality of the situation is that  
13 it was a medical slash hygiene issue, and these incidents are  
14 being offered to prove character and -- and conformity on a  
15 particular occasion with the trait that obviously is propensity  
16 to either be interested or explore or touch his daughters.

17 Neither of -- of the incidents involving Faith prove in  
18 any way Mr. Goldesberry's knowledge or absence of mistake or  
19 accident, as it would be necessary for the Government to be  
20 able to go into these other acts. I -- I just -- I -- there's  
21 no way around the fact that it's not res gestae.

22 It is 404(b). And really they're trying to get it in  
23 front of the jury as propensity evidence.

24 THE COURT: I agree with you, it's not res gestae.

25 MS. BROWN: And so it's not admissible as propensity

1 evidence, and I believe that it's not admissible as 404 --  
2 404(b) evidence because I don't believe that it -- it goes in  
3 any way to help the jury understand one way or the other what  
4 the defendant's motive was in the bed with Kaitlyn on a  
5 completely different occasion.

6 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

7 Ms. Dial, I -- I understand the Government's argument, but  
8 I don't -- I understand it and I'm -- agonize over the -- this  
9 issue because, as I've said, I've seen this rule change over my  
10 career. And I think, you know, who knows? It -- allowing it  
11 may pass muster with the appellate court. But I don't think  
12 it's a correct application of the 404, and so I'm going to -- I  
13 will tell you what.

14 I will reserve ruling on it, giving you an opportunity to  
15 find persuasive authority. I didn't find any. I found some  
16 good cases explaining the rule and the evolution of the rule  
17 and where it's appropriate to show intent and lack of mistake  
18 and motive, and it's not close to this. But there may -- I'm  
19 not familiar with case law in the Eighth Circuit.

20 So if you find something, I'll reconsider; but for right  
21 now, I'm going to limit reference to it. And we'll see if you  
22 can find something that -- and the same is true for you,  
23 Ms. Brown. You can find cases. You presented your arguments  
24 well, but I know you're slammed here, and it wasn't much in the  
25 way of helpful authority.

1           Is there anything else I can do for you before we see the  
2 jury?

3           **MS. DIAL:** Your Honor, the Court -- or the Government has  
4 a couple of things to bring up. I believe that -- yes, if I  
5 could just bring up a few other things.

6           **THE COURT:** Hmm?

7           **MS. DIAL:** Could I approach and bring up just a few other  
8 matters?

9           **THE COURT:** Sure. I reviewed your questions, proposed  
10 voir dire questions, and I have to tell you, I don't think I've  
11 ever thought as many as great a percentage of questions  
12 proposed by counsel were appropriate as yours are.

13           So you're going to get, if not all, most all. If I miss  
14 something and you think it's important that I cover it, you can  
15 ask to -- to bring it -- you can bring it to my attention.

16           **MS. DIAL:** Thank you, Your Honor. The first thing, we  
17 have some updated stipulations. The prior stipulation --

18           **THE COURT:** Okay.

19           **MS. DIAL:** -- that was filed was for the indictment, and  
20 then the superseding needed to change that.

21           So the parties have already signed those. I'll hand those  
22 to Christy, if I may approach?

23           **THE COURT:** Yes, ma'am.

24           **MS. DIAL:** Christy?

25           **THE COURT:** I've got stipulation, Defendant Goldesberry's

1 Indian status, and stipulation, Indian Country.

2 MS. DIAL: Yes, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: These are new. Hmm. Are these the same ones  
4 I have at Document 30 and 31?

5 MS. DIAL: They're the same in substance, Your Honor.

6 There was a reference to just Count 1, and now there's a  
7 superseding.

8 THE COURT: Oh, okay. Okay.

9 MS. DIAL: And then the date is updated. But the  
10 substance remains the same.

11 THE COURT: Now, I will read these to the jury when  
12 requested by counsel. And then I'll send them back to -- with  
13 the exhibits.

14 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor. And the Government  
15 doesn't have any preference on if we begin with those or if the  
16 Court wants to read them at the end. It doesn't really matter  
17 to us when they're read in, if the Court has a preference.

18 THE COURT: Ms. Brown, do you have a preference?

19 MS. BROWN: I don't.

20 THE COURT: Okay. Well, I'll try to remember to do it  
21 upfront.

22 MS. DIAL: And we'll keep it on our to-do list as well,  
23 Your Honor.

24 The other thing, if I could, just for the record, the  
25 Government did make a final offer in this case. And if I'm

1 permitted, I'd like to just make a record of that and record  
2 that the defendant did decline that offer.

3 The Government, on March 17<sup>th</sup>, after learning of the --  
4 of Kaitlyn's change in testimony that she was over 12, or her  
5 anticipated testimony that she will say she was over 12 when  
6 this occurred, the Government sent on March 17<sup>th</sup>, a final  
7 offer to sexual abuse of a minor in Indian Country, 2243(a) --  
8 18 U.S.C. 2243(a).

9 And as part of that offer, the Government offered to agree  
10 to recommend a term of imprisonment of up to two years, or 24  
11 months, and noted that that sentence falls below the  
12 anticipated guideline range of 30 to 37 months, if the jury  
13 finds him guilty of the over 12. The Government believes that  
14 there still will be sufficient evidence for the jury to  
15 consider the under 12. That carries a 30-year mandatory  
16 minimum.

17 The Government's offer included that the defendant could  
18 file variance or departure waivers and ask for any term of  
19 imprisonment or none at all. There was registration -- or sex  
20 offender registration, but that was the limit of the jail time.  
21 And then the Government also stated that supervision would just  
22 be determined by the Court. Previously, it had been a request  
23 for lifetime supervision.

24 So that was the Government's final offer. We did not  
25 leave much time because filings were due. It was essentially

1 about a day to decide. And I believe the defendant did receive  
2 that from his counsel and did reject that offer. But we'd like  
3 to put that on the record, if we could.

4 THE COURT: Is that correct?

5 MS. BROWN: That is accurate, and if Your Honor would like  
6 to inquire of my client.

7 THE COURT: I do.

8 Mr. Goldesberry, did you receive that offer?

9 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor, I did.

10 THE COURT: You elected to decline it?

11 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor, I did.

12 THE COURT: Anyone force you or threaten you or coerce you  
13 in any way to do that?

14 THE DEFENDANT: No, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: That was your decision and you -- and you made  
16 it exercising your own free will?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: With the advice of counsel?

19 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Okay.

21 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor.

22 The Government also wanted to give counsel and the Court a  
23 heads-up. The Government sent a number of e-mails. We believe  
24 that the defendant's expert, Stacia Alsabrook, lacks proper  
25 notice and proper foundation. We haven't received the basis of

1 her opinion. We received a summary, but we have not received  
2 her counseling notes.

3 She's been the family's counselor since January 2018. And  
4 the Government requested clarification on whether she would be  
5 an expert after receiving the discovery.

6 We then requested two other times on March 14<sup>th</sup> and  
7 March 25<sup>th</sup>, that if there were any records or reports in  
8 support of her expert testimony, since at that point we'd just  
9 received a summary of her -- a summary of that she had treated  
10 the family and that she didn't believe there was anything bad  
11 happening in the family, and her CV, we requested on  
12 March 14<sup>th</sup> and March 24<sup>th</sup> that if the intent was to call  
13 her as an expert, that the Government be -- be provided records  
14 or reports in support of her expert testimony, including  
15 therapy notes or treatment notes from the counseling sessions  
16 which form the basis of and reasons for her opinion.

17 We've not received those. So I anticipate the Government  
18 will be objecting if she is presented as an expert, at the  
19 proper time.

20 THE COURT: What's her name?

21 MS. DIAL: Stacia, S-t-a-c-i-a; Alsabrook,  
22 A-l-s-a-b-r-o-o-k.

23 THE COURT: Alsabrook.

24 MS. BROWN: May I? Your Honor, at this point, we do not  
25 anticipate calling Stacia as an expert -- Miss Alsabrook as an

1 expert. Initially, I had intended to. And after conversations  
2 with Miss Alsabrook, including after the Government requested  
3 additional documentation, Miss Alsabrook's very firmly held  
4 opinion and belief, based on her licensure guidelines, she  
5 firmly believes that she is not entitled to testify as an  
6 expert.

7 while I believe there are certainly legal mechanisms  
8 through which I could actually establish her expertise, it  
9 became challenging to get the records and notes that the  
10 Government would be entitled to, were she to be an expert  
11 witness.

12 My understanding from speaking at length with her and  
13 Mrs. Goldesberry, the custodial parent of the minor child,  
14 Kaitlyn, that Kaitlyn was uncomfortable with quite a bit of the  
15 idea of the Government having access to her therapy records and  
16 notes, which largely have nothing to do with the case at bar or  
17 the issue before this Court, as the child as well as the rest  
18 of the family began their therapy with Miss Alsabrook  
19 significantly prior to the initiation of this case.

20 That said, actually as we've been in court this morning, I  
21 received word from my office that Miss Alsabrook has suffered a  
22 loss of a very close family member as of either late last night  
23 or this morning. I don't have details about that. But I will  
24 update the Court if there is some availability issue because I  
25 don't really know details right now.

1           But it -- it sounds like there has been a loss in her  
2 family. I don't know if it's a -- a mother or a parent or a  
3 child. I really don't know. But if we call Miss Alsabrook, it  
4 would be as a fact witness to testify just with regard to the  
5 confines of the statement that we turned over.

6           MS. DIAL: If that's the case, Your Honor, and she's not  
7 called as an expert, then her testimony becomes, again, more  
8 like the character witnesses. There were no disclosures made  
9 to this counselor.

10          She, I anticipate, would just come and say that she's met  
11 with the family for multiple years, and she has no concerns and  
12 nobody ever told her about these allegations until DHS got  
13 involved. And she will come in and say what a great family  
14 they are.

15          THE COURT: Well, yeah. I would be -- would it be  
16 problematic if she said no one told her about these concerns,  
17 and you didn't have access to her records?

18          MS. DIAL: That would be problematic and --

19          THE COURT: Would that be problematic, Ms. Brown?

20          MS. BROWN: I don't believe so. I -- I believe that if  
21 she comes in and testifies like any other witness about when  
22 she found out about these allegations and the circumstances  
23 surrounding her finding out about the allegations, obviously  
24 Kaitlyn had access to a counselor who I believe both Kaitlyn  
25 and -- and Miss Alsabrook will say she trusted and confided in

1 and discussed various topics, including the loss and -- and  
2 grieving that she was --

3 THE COURT: If she comes, tell her to bring her records.

4 MS. BROWN: I -- I'm sorry?

5 THE COURT: If she comes, you tell her to bring her  
6 complete file on this family.

7 MS. BROWN: I will. Thank you.

8 THE COURT: I don't think she's going to come. Sounds  
9 like she's out of pocket. But if she does, I'll hear your  
10 argument on the notes.

11 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor. And the final thing --  
12 and I apologize for having so many. But the final thing is the  
13 exhibits attached to motion -- the Defendant's Motion 51. I  
14 believe defense counsel was working to have those sealed.  
15 Those were improperly filed publicly. They're in violation of  
16 the discovery order.

17 I did e-mail defense counsel. She did respond saying that  
18 she would get them sealed. I don't believe they are yet. And  
19 those are the minor statements -- the minor's statements from  
20 her forensic interview and from other meetings. So if those  
21 could be sealed per the discovery order, please.

22 MS. BROWN: My office contacted the Court, and we were  
23 advised that it was taken care of, this same day that -- that  
24 Ms. Dial e-mailed me.

25 THE COURT: Is Document 51 sealed?

1 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: It appears to be sealed.

2 MS. DIAL: The attachments are sealed?

3 THE COURT: It is?

4 MS. BROWN: Uh-huh.

5 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Yes.

6 MS. BROWN: Thank you.

7 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Yes.

8 THE COURT: Thank you, Miss Butler.

9 Anything else I can help you with?

10 MS. BROWN: Yes, Your Honor. In keeping in line with  
11 that, the -- one of the proposed exhibits from the Government  
12 is the affidavit that Kaitlyn signed. The bulk of that  
13 affidavit is specific hearsay that the Government has already  
14 told the Court and defense today here in court that they are  
15 not going to seek to admit.

16 So putting the affidavit into evidence at all would then  
17 reopen that issue that we would need to argue about. I  
18 understand that when Kaitlyn's on the stand, the Government can  
19 ask her did she sign an affidavit and, you know, what the  
20 circumstances were, but if the affidavit itself is offered, we  
21 object based on the fact that the purpose of the affidavit was  
22 that nobody had bothered to ask Kaitlyn about all of these  
23 other claims that Meagan had made.

24 DHS never asked. The Government hadn't asked until I -- I  
25 asked her about each and every claim that Meagan Bartlett had

1 made individually. And then the ones that Kaitlyn expressly  
2 denied saying or ever happening are outlined in the affidavit.  
3 And so the affidavit itself is the crux of our objection.

4       Things that Meagan reported -- mar -- Meagan Bartlett  
5 reported to DHS in her referral and in her interviews and then  
6 continued to report to the Government later, these things that  
7 the Government claims that they're not going to get into not  
8 only because they're hearsay, but because they're 404(b) that  
9 was not included in the notice, they -- then the affidavit  
10 itself is inadmissible.

11       And I'm specifically referring to on Page 1 of the  
12 two-page affidavit, "My dad asked me if I was naked when I'm  
13 sleeping. My dad told me if my mom wasn't in the picture, I'd  
14 be his next choice. My dad asked to touch me." And so on and  
15 so forth.

16       These are claims that Meagan Bartlett made that she --  
17 Meagan Bartlett claims were disclosures from Kaitlyn that  
18 Kaitlyn specifically denies and that the Government has  
19 acknowledged are not admissible in this trial.

20       **MS. DIAL:** First off, Your Honor, DHS did ask Kaitlyn  
21 about the others. I'm not sure if they asked specifically.  
22 But the Government's known the whole time that Kaitlyn denies  
23 all of these other allegations that Meagan -- that Miss  
24 Bartlett says she did hear and that she did report. We've  
25 already narrowed down to what's most important.

1       The Government has no intention of sliding that document  
2 in to get around the Court's ruling or our own stated  
3 intention. We're not getting into those. It probably should  
4 have been more properly marked as a prior statement. There's a  
5 number of statements on here that the Government isn't planning  
6 to admit as evidence.

7       Notably, this is the defendant's affidavit that is  
8 notarized by the defendant's -- or by defense counsel's legal  
9 assistant, so it's ironic that the defense is trying to keep  
10 out their own affidavit that I think was intended --

11      **THE COURT:** Oh, I thought this was Kaitlyn's affidavit.

12      **MS. DIAL:** It is, prepared by defense counsel and  
13 notarized by defense counsel's legal assistant, Your Honor.

14      **THE COURT:** Oh.

15      **MS. DIAL:** When the minor had a meeting with defense  
16 counsel --

17      **THE COURT:** Well, doesn't matter.

18      **MS. DIAL:** -- then that happened.

19      So if it becomes necessary to admit based on the  
20 Government's view, I don't anticipate that. If it did, we  
21 would move to have it redacted. I expect that Kaitlyn is going  
22 to testify about the content, and it's more properly a prior  
23 statement.

24      **THE COURT:** Thank you, Miss Dial.

25      **MS. BROWN:** Lastly, there are a couple of other incidents

1 that are peppered throughout Government's disclosures. And  
2 pursuant to their continuing duty to disclose, we have  
3 continued to exchange production of discovery throughout last  
4 week.

5 The defense just wants to ensure that either we need to  
6 get a pretrial ruling or that there's an agreement by the  
7 governor [sic] that the following is not admissible in this  
8 case: Any claim that Faith was sexually abused. Any claim  
9 that Raymond was sexually abused by his mother, so that would  
10 be the defendant. And any claims that Raymond and his sister  
11 allegedly had a sexual relationship with each other at some  
12 point in the past. I -- are -- believe are not admissible.

13 **THE COURT:** Okay.

14 You're not getting into any of that, are you?

15 **MS. DIAL:** No, Your Honor.

16 **THE COURT:** Okay.

17 **MS. BROWN:** Great.

18 **THE COURT:** Anything else?

19 **MS. BROWN:** Not that I can think of at the moment, Judge.

20 **THE COURT:** Okay. Well, why don't you take a break, and  
21 we'll get the jury seated and we'll begin.

22 **CSO:** All rise.

23 (A recess was taken.)

24 (At this point in the trial, voir dire was conducted  
25 and is filed under separate cover.)

1 MS. DIAL: we had an issue with a witness.

2 THE COURT: Oh.

3 MS. DIAL: I'm fine beginning if the Court's all right  
4 with him just coming in a little delayed.

5 THE COURT: Tell me what you're saying again.

6 MS. DIAL: My co-counsel stepped out for just a minute.  
7 There was a problem with a witness, I believe. So as long as  
8 the Court's okay with him coming in quietly with the jury in.

9 THE COURT: Yeah, that's fine.

10 MS. DIAL: Okay. Thank you.

11 CSO: All right.

12 THE COURT: Thank you.

13 MS. DIAL: Uh-huh.

14 (Jury present.)

15 THE COURT: Welcome back, ladies and gentlemen. I hope  
16 you had a comfortable lunch. Were you able to find a place  
17 nearby and --

18 JUROR: Yes.

19 THE COURT: I don't see heads shaking or nodding, but I  
20 see smiles, so I guess you got lunch.

21 JUROR: Yes.

22 THE COURT: Okay. Well, if my -- if the time wasn't  
23 adequate, let me know and I'll try to -- I'll give you more  
24 time next time. But did anybod- -- have any of you heard  
25 anything or talked to anybody about this case since you were

1 last in the courtroom? If so, raise your hand.

2       Okay. Now that you've been sworn, I'll give you  
3 preliminary instructions to guide you in your participation in  
4 the trial.

5       It will be your duty to find from the evidence what the  
6 facts are. You, and you alone, are the judges of the facts.  
7 You will then have to apply those facts -- the law to those --  
8 you'll -- then you will have to apply to those facts the law  
9 the Court will give you. You must follow that law whether you  
10 agree with it or not.

11       Nothing the Court may say or do during the course of the  
12 trial is intended to indicate, nor should be taken by you as  
13 indicating, what your verdict should be.

14       The evidence from which you will find the facts will  
15 consist of the testimony of witnesses, documents and other  
16 things received into the record as exhibits, and any facts the  
17 lawyers agree or stipulate to, or that the Court may instruct  
18 you to find.

19       Certain things are not evidence and must not be considered  
20 by you as evidence. I'll list some of them for you now:

21       Statements and arguments and questions by lawyers are not  
22 evidence.

23       Objections to questions are not evidence. Lawyers have an  
24 obligation to their client to make an objection when they  
25 believe the evidence being offered is improper under the Rules

1 of Evidence. You should not be influenced by the objection or  
2 by the Court's ruling on it. If the objection is sustained,  
3 ignore the question. If it is overruled, treat the answer like  
4 any other. If you are instructed that some item of evidence is  
5 received for a limited purpose only, you must follow that  
6 instruction.

7 Testimony that the Court has excluded or told you to  
8 disregard is not evidence and must be -- and must not be  
9 considered.

10 Anything you may have seen or heard outside the courtroom  
11 is not evidence and must be disregarded. You are to decide the  
12 case solely on the evidence presented to you here in the  
13 courtroom.

14 There are two kinds of evidence: direct and  
15 circumstantial. Direct evidence is direct proof of a fact,  
16 such as testimony of an eyewitness. Circumstantial evidence is  
17 proof of facts from which you will -- you may infer or conclude  
18 that other facts exist. I'll give you further instructions on  
19 these as well as other matters at the end of the case, but have  
20 in mind that you may consider both kinds of evidence.

21 It will be up to you to decide which witnesses to believe,  
22 which witnesses not to believe, and how much of any witness'  
23 testimony to accept or reject. I will give you some guidelines  
24 for determining credibility of witnesses at the end of the  
25 case.

1           Transcripts of witness' -- of witness testimony during  
2 trial will not be available to you during your deliberations,  
3 and you must rely on your own recollection of a witness'  
4 testimony. If any reference by the Court or counsel to the  
5 witness' testimony conflicts with your own recollection, it is  
6 your own recollection that should control during your  
7 deliberations and not the statement of Court or counsel.

8           As you know, this is a criminal case. There are three  
9 basic rules about a criminal case that you must keep in mind.

10          First, the defendant is presumed innocent. The indictment  
11 against the defendant brought by the Government is only an  
12 accusation, nothing more. It's not proof of guilt or anything  
13 else. The defendant therefore starts out with a clean slate.

14          Second, the burden of proof is on the Government. The  
15 defendant has no burden to prove his innocence or to present  
16 any evidence or to testify. Since the defendant has the right  
17 to remain silent, the law prohibits you in arriving at your  
18 verdict from considering that the defendant may not have  
19 testified.

20          Third, the Government must prove the defendant's guilt  
21 beyond a reasonable doubt. I will give you further instruction  
22 on this point later, but bear in mind that, in this respect, a  
23 criminal case is different from a civil case.

24          Now, a few words about your conduct as jurors.

25          First, I instruct you that during the trial, you're not to

1 discuss the case with anyone or permit anyone to discuss it  
2 with you or remain within hearing of anyone discussing it. If  
3 anyone should try to talk to you about the case, bring it to  
4 the Court's attention promptly. If I'm not available, bring it  
5 to the attention of one of the security officers. Until you  
6 retire to the jury room at the end of the case to deliberate on  
7 your verdict, you're simply not to talk about this case.

8 Second, during the trial, you should not talk with or  
9 speak to any of the parties, lawyers, or witnesses involved in  
10 this case. You should not even pass the time of day with any  
11 of them. It's important not only that you do justice in this  
12 case, but you also give the appearance of doing justice. If a  
13 person from one side of the law sees you talking to a person  
14 from the other side, even if it's simply to pass the time of  
15 day, an unwarranted and unnecessary suspicion about your  
16 fairness might be aroused. If any lawyer, party, or witness  
17 does not speak to you when you pass in the hall, ride the  
18 elevator, and the like, it's because they're not supposed to  
19 talk or visit with you. Do not be offended.

20 Third, do not read or listen to anything touching on this  
21 case in any way. Do not read any newspaper article, listen to  
22 any radio broadcast, or view any television program which  
23 discusses the case.

24 Fourth, do not try to reach -- or make any investigation  
25 about the case on your own. You as jurors must decide this

1 case based solely on the evidence presented here within the  
2 four walls of this courtroom. This means that during the  
3 trial, you must not conduct any independent research about this  
4 case, the matters in the case, and the individuals or  
5 corporations involved in the case. In other words, you should  
6 not consult dictionaries or reference materials, search the  
7 Internet, websites, blogs, or any other electronic tools to  
8 obtain information about this case or help you decide the case.  
9 Please do not try to find out information from any source  
10 outside the confines of this courtroom.

11 Until you retire to deliberate, you may not discuss this  
12 case with anyone, even your fellow jurors. After you retire to  
13 deliberate, you may begin discussing the case with your fellow  
14 jurors, but you cannot discuss the case with anyone else until  
15 you've returned a verdict and the case is at an end.

16 I know that many of you use cellphones, the Internet,  
17 laptops, and other tools of technology. You also must not talk  
18 to anyone at any time about this case or use those tools to  
19 communicate electronically -- electronically with anyone about the  
20 case. This includes your family and friends.

21 You may not communicate with anyone about the case through  
22 e-mail, cellphone, text messaging, or through any blog,  
23 website, social media sites, or apps. You may not use any  
24 technology related to communication, even if I have not  
25 specifically mentioned it here. I expect you will inform me as

1 soon as you become aware of another juror's violation of these  
2 instructions.

3 Finally, do not form any opinion until the evidence is in.  
4 Keep an open mind until you start your deliberations at the end  
5 of the case.

6 A question sometimes arises as to whether individual  
7 jurors will be permitted to take notes during the trial. If  
8 you would like to take notes, you may. On the other hand, of  
9 course, you're not required to take notes if you don't want to.  
10 That'll be left up to you individually. If you do not take --  
11 I'm sorry. If you do take notes, leave them in the jury room  
12 when you leave at night.

13 Take notes sparingly. Do not try to write down all the  
14 testimony. The notes will be used only for the purpose of  
15 refreshing your memory. They are helpful when dealing with  
16 measurements and times, distances, identities, and  
17 relationships. And remember they're for your own personal use.  
18 They're not to be given or read to anyone else.

19 Be brief in your note taking. You must pass on the  
20 credibility of the witnesses and do not -- and to do so, you  
21 must observe them. Be careful not to get so involved in note  
22 taking that you become distracted from the ongoing proceedings.

23 Also, your notes should be used only as aids to your  
24 memory, and if your memory should later differ from your notes,  
25 you should rely on your memory and not your notes. If you do

1 not take notes, you should rely on your own independent  
2 recollection or memory of what the testimony was, and you  
3 should not be unduly influenced by the notes of other jurors.

4 Notes are not entitled to any greater weight than the  
5 recollection or impression of each juror as to what the  
6 testimony was.

7 In a few minutes, the trial will begin. The Government  
8 will make an opening statement, which is simply an outline to  
9 help you understand the evidence as it comes in. Next, the  
10 defendant may but does not have to make an opening statement.  
11 Opening statements are neither evidence nor arguments.

12 The Government will then present its witnesses, and  
13 counsel for the defendant may cross-examine him -- -examine  
14 them. Following the Government's case, the defendant may, if  
15 he wishes, present witnesses who the Government may  
16 cross-examine.

17 After all the evidence is in, I will instruct you on the  
18 law, and then the attorneys will present their closing  
19 arguments to summarize and interpret the evidence for you.

20 After that you'll retire to deliberate on your verdict.

21 Ms. Dial, you ready to proceed?

22 **MS. DIAL:** Yes, Your Honor.

23 "Dad." Kaitlyn was just a kid, 11, maybe 12. She was in  
24 her parents' bedroom in her parents' bed because she'd had a  
25 nightmare. Mom wasn't there. Just Dad. And her dad's fingers

1 were inside of her vagina, moving, stimulating, touching her  
2 until she reacted, "Dad."

3       when Kaitlyn reacted, he stopped. Kaitlyn kept this  
4 secret for years. She didn't tell her mom, her sister, her  
5 counselor, for years. When Kaitlyn was 14, she let the secret  
6 out, and she confided in a young adult friend, Meagan Bartlett.  
7 Meagan asked Meagan's dad, a former police officer, what to do.  
8 He said she had to report it to Child Protective Services. So  
9 Meagan did.

10      After Meagan reported what Kaitlyn had said, a forensic  
11 interviewer talked to Kaitlyn. In her forensic interview,  
12 Kaitlyn told the secret again. One time, some years ago, she'd  
13 climbed into her parents' bed because she'd had a nightmare.  
14 Mom wasn't there, but Dad was. And Dad was touching her  
15 with -- with his hands underneath her underwear.

16      The evidence in this case will show that when Kaitlyn was  
17 11 or 12, the defendant touched her and put his fingers inside  
18 her genitals with sexual intent. Kaitlyn reacted to her father  
19 putting his fingers inside of her, "Dad."

20      when Kaitlyn reacted, the defendant stopped. In this  
21 trial, you're going to hear from Kaitlyn. Kaitlyn is now 16  
22 years old, and she's very angry. But not at her father. She  
23 doesn't want to be here today. She didn't want her dad to get  
24 into trouble. She doesn't want any of this. Angry or sad or  
25 furious, Kaitlyn is going to tell you what happened.

1        But the evidence doesn't stop with Kaitlyn. You won't  
2 have to just rely on Kaitlyn's statements because you're also  
3 going to hear from Brenna Gusman, the Child Protective Services  
4 worker that investigated this matter two years ago when Kaitlyn  
5 was 14.

6        Brenna is going to tell you about her interview with the  
7 defendant back in 2020, and Brenna Gusman, the CPS worker, is  
8 going to tell you about the defendant's admission. You will  
9 hear that in 2020, when Kaitlyn was 14, the defendant was  
10 confronted with what Kaitlyn said he'd done to her years prior.

11       Confronted with this allegation, you'll hear the defendant  
12 admitted he had put his fingers inside Kaitlyn. But you'll  
13 hear he told CPS investigator, Brenna Gusman, it was all just  
14 an accident. You'll hear that the defendant described to  
15 Brenna Gusman, those many years later, this accident.

16       You're going to hear he told Brenna, the CPS investigator,  
17 that he made it past Kaitlyn's shorts and panties and began to  
18 stimulate and got his fingers past her labia majora. You'll  
19 hear he asked Brenna Gusman, the CPS worker, if it counted as  
20 penetration if his fingers only made it past Kaitlyn's labia  
21 majora.

22       You'll hear he admitted to Brenna Gusman he kept going,  
23 touching Kaitlyn. That when his hand was inside of Kaitlyn, he  
24 heard her say, "Dad."

25       Brenna Gusman will tell you that the defendant explained

1 that it was just an accident. That he'd been half-asleep.  
2 That he thought Kaitlyn was his wife, only -- that he'd only  
3 realized his mistake when Kaitlyn exclaimed, "Dad."

4 Only then, he told Brenna, did he fully wake up. You'll  
5 hear he talked to -- that he admitted to Brenna Gusman that he  
6 talked to Kaitlyn after that incident. He told Kaitlyn he'd  
7 been half-asleep. He'd told Kaitlyn it was a mistake. And  
8 they never spoke of it again, and he never told his wife of  
9 more than 20 years. He never told anyone until Child  
10 Protective Services showed up at the door years later.

11 In this trial, there really are only two questions at  
12 issue that you're going to have to answer.

13 First, how old was Kaitlyn when this happened? You'll  
14 hear when Kaitlyn was 14, that, in her forensic interview, she  
15 said it happened some years before. You'll hear that the  
16 defendant told CPS workers it happened about three years prior  
17 to Kaitlyn being 14, about when she was 11. But you'll also  
18 hear that recently, Kaitlyn determined this all happened when  
19 she was 12. When you hear from Kaitlyn today, listen for when  
20 and why she suddenly remembered she was actually 12 when her  
21 dad put his fingers inside her -- put his fingers inside her  
22 vagina.

23 The second question at issue for you to decide during this  
24 trial is what was the defendant's intent? What was his motive?  
25 Was it all just an accident, or did the defendant intend to

1 sexually abuse Kaitlyn when she was in the bed alone with him?  
2 As you consider this question and listen to the evidence, focus  
3 on the defendant. The defendant put his fingers inside  
4 Kaitlyn. The defendant didn't stop until Kaitlyn exclaimed,  
5 "Dad."

6 The defendant told Brenna Gusman that he talked to Kaitlyn  
7 for 45 minutes afterwards but never told his wife. When it all  
8 came out years later, it was the defendant when confronted with  
9 this allegation that said, "Yes, but it was a mistake."

10 Listen to the evidence and focus on the defendant. At the  
11 end of this trial, you'll be asked to decide if the defendant  
12 knowingly touched Kaitlyn's genitals with the intent to abuse,  
13 arouse, or gratify sexual desire. When you hear from Kaitlyn  
14 today, pay attention to her body language. Consider why she is  
15 angry.

16 You're going to hear from others: former friends, family,  
17 CPS workers, the forensic interviewer. Of course, listen to  
18 all of the evidence. Weigh all of the evidence. But focus on  
19 the defendant. All of the witnesses will give you a picture of  
20 what happened after Kaitlyn disclosed what her father had done  
21 to her.

22 All of the witness' testimony is for you to consider and  
23 weigh. But don't be distracted by diversions or sidepaths  
24 in none -- in this trial. None of those other witnesses were  
25 there. Only Kaitlyn and the defendant were in that room, in

1 that bed alone, when the defendant made it past Kaitlyn's  
2 shorts and panties and began to stimulate and got his fingers  
3 past her labia majora.

4 And at the heart of it all, Kaitlyn says her dad put his  
5 fingers inside her vagina. The defendant says he put his  
6 fingers inside his daughter's genitals. And the defendant is  
7 the one that told Kaitlyn it was an accident. Focus on his  
8 actions afterwards to understand and determine his intent.

9 At the end of the trial, after you've seen and heard all  
10 of the evidence, we'll talk to you again. We'll ask you to see  
11 through the defendant's excuses. This was not a half-asleep  
12 accident. The defendant seized an opportunity and knowingly  
13 touched his young daughter's vagina.

14 We'll ask you to find that Raymond Goldesberry is guilty  
15 of sexually abusing Kaitlyn. That when he put his fingers into  
16 his daughter's genitals, it was no mistake.

17 **MS. BROWN:** Memorial Day weekend, 2020, this is May, right  
18 after COVID lockdown really hit. Schools were out. Most  
19 people were home from work. It was a different time than we  
20 were used to. So Kaitlyn Goldesberry goes with her friend,  
21 Meagan Bartlett, who is an adult, to Miami to get away.

22 When they went to Miami, Oklahoma, Kaitlyn's going to tell  
23 you that what was on her mind at the time was all the things  
24 that were going wrong in her life. She has been bullied at  
25 school extensively. It wasn't something that was new. She'll

1 tell you it's happened at every single school she's been to,  
2 and she thinks her classmates are evil little pricks.

3 She'll tell you that her classmates body shame her, and  
4 that the only friend she had at school was turned against her  
5 by the bullies. That was weighing heavily on her mind that  
6 weekend that she was with Meagan.

7 Kaitlyn Goldesberry has been in therapy with a woman by  
8 the name of Stacia Alsabrook for many years. The reason that  
9 Kaitlyn started therapy has nothing to do with what brings us  
10 to court today.

11 Kaitlyn was not only suffering from the bullying and the  
12 body shaming from her peers and classmates. She had lost her  
13 grandmother and her grandfather close in time, and she was  
14 extraordinarily close to both of them. That was also something  
15 that was weighing heavily on Kaitlyn's mind when she was in  
16 Miami on Memorial Day weekend with Meagan Bartlett.

17 And so while the girls were in Miami, Kaitlyn tells Meagan  
18 about one incident that happened a couple years back with her  
19 dad. Kaitlyn will tell you that it was the most embarrassing  
20 thing that ever happened to her, and that she never wanted to  
21 talk about it. And she tried not to think about it because,  
22 let's be honest, no matter what age a little girl is, if her  
23 vagina is touched in what appears to be a sexual manner by her  
24 father, that's going to be upsetting. That's going to be  
25 either traumatizing or embarrassing or upsetting.

1           And what Kaitlyn's going to tell you is that when she  
2 talked to her friend, Meagan Bartlett, about this one incident  
3 that happened, that she hadn't told anyone before. But the  
4 very first time she told someone, which was Meagan Bartlett, in  
5 May of 2020, she said that it -- it had been an accident or a  
6 mistake.

7           She explained that she had crawled into bed with her dad  
8 in the middle of the night because she'd had a nightmare. She  
9 didn't wake her dad up to tell her dad she was in bed with him.  
10 She didn't, in any way, let him know that during the course of  
11 the time that he was sleeping, his wife, Michelle, had gotten  
12 out of bed and left the house, and in her place, his daughter,  
13 Kaitlyn, was laying where Mr. Goldber- -- Goldesberry's wife is  
14 always in bed with him.

15           You're going to hear from Mrs. Goldesberry, Michelle,  
16 Raymond's wife. And she's going to tell you that throughout  
17 the course of the 20 years that they've been married, it's not  
18 at all uncommon for Raymond to wake up -- or wake her up by  
19 stimulating her manually, whether it's vaginally or on her  
20 breasts, in an effort to initiate a sexual encounter with his  
21 wife.

22           Mrs. Goldesberry's going to tell you that there's times  
23 when she, you know, consented or acquiesced, and they had a  
24 sexual encounter as husband and wife. She's going to tell you  
25 there's times when she wasn't in the mood or just wanted to

1 sleep, and Mr. Goldesberry respected her wishes and left her  
2 alone.

3 You're going to see when you see these two women -- or  
4 Kaitlyn's a young lady, and her mother, Michelle, they are not  
5 currently the same size weight-wise. But back in 2017, the  
6 year thereabouts that this is alleged to have occurred, they  
7 were the same size. Michelle has lost some weight, and Kaitlyn  
8 has gained some weight.

9 They were approximately the same height at the time, and  
10 their hair was approximately the same length and style. You're  
11 going to hear that in Mr. and Mrs. Goldesberry's bedroom, there  
12 are blackout curtains that make it extraordinarily dark in that  
13 room, and that whether it's midnight or noon, it's dark in that  
14 room when the curtains are drawn and the lights are off.

15 When Kaitlyn Goldesberry told Meagan Bartlett about this  
16 incident that occurred, Meagan flipped out, and she called Mr.  
17 Goldesberry a rapist and she got really upset. This was not  
18 the reaction that Kaitlyn was expecting, and she was shocked to  
19 find out later that Meagan Bartlett had not only told Meagan  
20 Bartlett's father, Nathan Bartlett, but had also called Child  
21 Protective Services and reported the family, which opened an  
22 investigation that brings us here today.

23 Kaitlyn's going to tell you that she never told Meagan or  
24 anybody else that this was something that was intentionally  
25 sexually directed at her, but rather that she knew from the

1 very beginning that this was a mistaken-identity situation. I  
2 agree with the Government that the -- the testimony and the  
3 evidence is going to be that Raymond realized that it was his  
4 daughter and not his wife in bed when he heard his daughter  
5 say, "Dad."

6 That's what caused him to be aware that he was, in fact,  
7 in bed with his daughter and not his wife, and the horror that  
8 he discovered that he had been touching his daughter and not  
9 his wife. Obviously, Mr. Goldesberry was also ashamed and  
10 embarrassed and upset about this incident, and naturally, he  
11 talked to his daughter about it.

12 He did say that, by his recollection, they probably talked  
13 about it for 45 minutes. But what everyone is going to tell  
14 you, both Kaitlyn and I believe you're going to hear that Mr.  
15 Goldesberry told Miss Gusman, that it was Kaitlyn who didn't  
16 want anybody to know. Raymond Goldesberry never told his  
17 daughter to keep this a secret.

18 He never told his daughter not to tell her therapist,  
19 Stacia, or not to tell her mother, Michelle, or her older  
20 sister, Faith, or any of her friends. Mr. Goldesberry never  
21 asked Kaitlyn to keep this a secret. Kaitlyn begged her father  
22 to keep it a secret, never speak of it again. Never tell  
23 anybody about it.

24 Just pretend it didn't happen, and Kaitlyn tried to do  
25 that. Just pretend it never happened. That is why nobody

1 found out about it until Meagan called CPS in May of 2020.  
2 That Sunday of the Memorial Day weekend, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020,  
3 Kaitlyn brings Meagan back to Tulsa from their trip to Miami.

4       That night, Meagan Bartlett had brought her boyfriend,  
5 John Mahan, along with her. And the Goldesberrys, Mr. and  
6 Mrs. Goldesberry, along with both of their daughters, Kaitlyn  
7 the youngest, and Faith the older, along with Meagan and her  
8 boyfriend, were all at the Goldesberry home that Sunday night  
9 before Memorial Day. They were playing a game.

10      Meagan and Kaitlyn were both acting a little strange. I  
11 believe the testimony and evidence will show that Faith knew  
12 something weird was going on. And at some point, Kaitlyn and  
13 her mother go back into a bedroom and have a private  
14 conversation. Meagan Bartlett and Faith Goldesberry, the  
15 friend and older sister, were not privy to that conversation.

16      They don't have any idea what Michelle and Kaitlyn talked  
17 about as mother and daughter in that bedroom. But they will  
18 both tell you, when they testify, that Kaitlyn was talking to  
19 her mom about the fact that she's been cutting. Kaitlyn had  
20 been cutting her ankles and cutting her legs, largely due to  
21 the bullying that she'd been suffering.

22      That was something that she hadn't been comfortable  
23 telling her mother before, but her mother could see the cuts on  
24 her ankle as she disclosed this to her mother back in the  
25 bedroom that night. Prior to that private conversation between

1 Kaitlyn and her mother, the group had decided to order pizza.

2 And while Kaitlyn and Michelle were in the back bedroom  
3 talking, Mrs. Goldesberry, Michelle, got an alert that the  
4 pizza was ready. So she said she needed to go pick it up, and  
5 Kaitlyn wanted to go with her. So the two of them continued  
6 their private mother/daughter conversation as they left to go  
7 to Domino's and get pizza and bring the food back to the family  
8 and friends.

9 Ultimately, Faith, the older sister, pulled Meagan  
10 Bartlett, the friend, aside and said, "I know something's going  
11 on. You know, please disclose to me, please tell me what's  
12 going on."

13 And Meagan wouldn't tell her. Faith will tell you that  
14 she felt like something was wrong, and she couldn't figure out  
15 what it was. And that by the end of that night into the next  
16 day, she still didn't know anything about what had happened  
17 between her little sister and her father.

18 Meagan Bartlett invited both Goldesberry girls that night  
19 to return to Miami with her and go to her dad's house, Nathan  
20 Bartlett's house. Faith, not knowing what was going on in the  
21 home or with her sister and her father, went ahead and -- and  
22 took her friend up on the offer, and Kaitlyn declined to go.

23 She didn't want to go back to Miami and be with Meagan.  
24 She wanted to stay at home with her mom and her dad. And so on  
25 Sunday night, the night before Memorial Day, this time Kait- --

1 Faith and Meagan go to Miami.

2           Unbeknownst to anyone in the Goldesberry family, including  
3 Kaitlyn and Faith who was in -- with Mia- -- Meagan in Miami,  
4 Meagan Bartlett went to her father's office where he was a  
5 campus resource officer for NEO, and she called CPS and  
6 reported the information that she believed she needed to report  
7 to CPS.

8           Meagan doesn't tell Faith or anybody else in the  
9 Goldesberry family that she's done this, and so everything goes  
10 on in that week, business as usual. Raymond and Michelle go to  
11 work. Kaitlyn is at home in Tulsa. Faith is with Meagan in  
12 Miami.

13           And Faith will tell you that it was largely just a  
14 decompressing weekend, that Meagan didn't attempt to talk to  
15 Faith about either her little sister, Kaitlyn, or their dad,  
16 Raymond. And that Faith and Meagan returned from Miami,  
17 Oklahoma, back to Tulsa, on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

18           On the way back -- because it wasn't just Kaitlyn who'd  
19 been going through some stuff in her life at that time, Meagan  
20 was as well -- Nathan Bartlett and Meagan Bartlett had Faith,  
21 Mr. Goldesberry's older daughter, in the car with them, and  
22 they stopped at the hospital on their way back into town to  
23 visit Meagan Bartlett's mother, Nathan Bartlett's ex-wife,  
24 because she had attempted suicide and was in the hospital.

25           So Meagan also had stuff going on. And for that couple of

1 hours where they were visiting Nikkie Bartlett in the hospital,  
2 Faith was left alone in the hot car. Remember it's May in  
3 Oklahoma. Because of COVID protocols and the fact that she  
4 wasn't family, she wasn't allowed into the hospital.

5 while Faith is waiting for Meagan and Nathan Bartlett to  
6 come back out of the hospital so they can take her home, she  
7 gets a call from her mother, Michelle Goldesberry, who has just  
8 been contacted by phone by DHS, Brenna Gusman, and informed  
9 about this incident that happened between Kaitlyn and Raymond a  
10 couple of years prior.

11 Understandably, Michelle is confused about what's going on  
12 and why DHS or CPS is in her life. Of course, she's confused  
13 and doesn't understand why this is something she didn't know  
14 anything about. And she wants Faith to come on home so that  
15 they can all figure out what the heck is going on.

16 Michelle had been at work when she got that call, so she  
17 starts heading back to the house. At this point, Faith starts  
18 frantically trying to get ahold of Meagan Bartlett so that they  
19 can come down out of the hospital and take her back to her  
20 house so she can find out what's going on with her family. And  
21 everybody arrives at the house about the same time.

22 Raymond was there. Michelle came home from work. Kaitlyn  
23 was there. Faith, Meagan, and Nathan joined the Goldesberry  
24 family, and a confrontation occurred. Mr. Goldesberry,  
25 Raymond, my client, was out in his shop, which is detached from

1 the -- the home itself where he works on his cars. And Nathan  
2 Bartlett went to confront Raymond.

3 THE COURT: Please use surnames.

4 MS. BROWN: I'm sorry. Thank you.

5 Mr. Bartlett went to confront Mr. Goldesberry. And Mr.  
6 Goldesberry was crying because he was being confron- --  
7 confronted by his long-time --

8 THE COURT: Miss Brown, your time is up.

9 MS. BROWN: -- friend.

10 Thank you.

11 THE COURT: who's your first -- oh, let me get -- let me  
12 first, ladies and gentlemen, read stipulations that have been  
13 reached by the parties.

14 The first stipulation: Indian Country. United States of  
15 America, represented by Chantelle Dial, Assistant United States  
16 Attorney, and Defendant, Raymond Lee Goldesberry, represented  
17 by Andrea Brown, hereby stipulate and agree that at all times  
18 relevant to the charges in this case, the location of the crime  
19 alleged in the superseding indictment, 1335 South 119<sup>th</sup> East  
20 Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma, was within the Northern District of  
21 Oklahoma and within the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Indian  
22 reservation and thus in Indian Country, pursuant to 18 U.S.C.,  
23 Section 1151.

24 Therefore, because all parties agree that 1335 South  
25 119<sup>th</sup> East Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma, is within Indian Country,

1 this element is proven beyond a reasonable doubt, and the  
2 Government need not present additional evidence that this  
3 location is within Indian Country in the Northern District of  
4 Oklahoma.

5 And that's signed by Chantelle Dial, Raymond Lee  
6 Goldesberry, and Andrea Brown.

7 Stipulation: Defendant Goldesberry's Indian Status. The  
8 United States of America, represented by Chantelle Dial,  
9 Assistant United States Attorney, and Defendant, Raymond Lee  
10 Goldesberry, represented by Andrea Brown, hereby stipulate and  
11 agree that at all times relevant to the charges in this case,  
12 Raymond Lee Goldesberry was -- was and is a member of the  
13 Cherokee Nation, a federally recognized Indian tribe, with some  
14 quantum of Indian blood and therefore is an Indian person.

15 Therefore, because the parties agree that the defendant,  
16 Goldesberry, is Indian, this element is proven beyond a  
17 reasonable doubt, and the Government need not present  
18 additional evidence that Defendant Goldesberry is Indian.

19 It's dated 28<sup>th</sup> of March 19 -- 2022. Signed Chantelle  
20 Dial, Assistant United States Attorney; Raymond Lee  
21 Goldesberry, Defendant; and Andrea Brown, attorney for  
22 Defendant Goldesberry.

23 You may proceed.

24 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor. The Gov- --

25 THE COURT: Who's your first witness?

1 MS. DIAL: The Government calls Kaitlyn Goldesberry.  
2 Christy?

3 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Ma'am, if you'll come forward  
4 right here, I'll swear you in, please.

5 MISS GOLDESBERRY: Oh, in here?

6 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Right here.

7 MISS GOLDESBERRY: Okay.

8 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: That'll be great. Thank you.  
9 Please raise your right hand.

10 (witness sworn.)

11 THE WITNESS: I swear.

12 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Thank you.

13 THE WITNESS: Okay.

14 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: You may sit in the witness stand,  
15 and then adjust the mic as you need to.

16 THE WITNESS: Okay.

17 THE COURT: What is your full name?

18 THE WITNESS: Kaitlyn Marie Goldesberry.

19 THE COURT: How do you spell your first name?

20 THE WITNESS: K-a-i-t-l-y-n.

21 THE COURT: And your last name?

22 THE WITNESS: G-o-l-d-e-s-b-e-r-r-y.

23 THE COURT: Okay.

24 You may inquire.

25 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor.

1                   KAITLYN MARIE GOLDESBERRY, called as a witness  
2 herein, having been first duly sworn on oath, was examined and  
3 testified as follows:

4                   DIRECT EXAMINATION

5 BY MS. DIAL:

6 Q     Kaitlyn, where do you live?

7 A     At 1335 South 119<sup>th</sup> East Avenue.

8 Q     Is that in Tulsa?

9 A     Yes.

10 Q    How long have you lived there?

11 A    Around 16 years.

12 Q    Basically your whole life?

13 A    Took my first steps there.

14 Q    So how old are you right now?

15 A    Sixteen.

16 Q    When's your date of birth?

17 A    9/14/05.

18 Q    Are you in high school?

19 A    Yes.

20 Q    Where at?

21 A    Catoosa High School.

22 Q    And what grade?

23 A    Tenth.

24 Q    Do you have a favorite subject?

25 A    Math.

1 Q Do you have a least favorite subject?

2 A English.

3 Q Let's talk about your immediate family for a minute. Do  
4 you have any siblings?

5 A Yes.

6 Q who are your siblings?

7 A Faith Goldesberry.

8 Q Do you know how old Faith is?

9 A Yes. She's about to be 21.

10 Q Do you know Faith's date of birth?

11 A Yes. 7/26/01.

12 Q And who's your mom?

13 A Michelle Goldesberry.

14 Q Do you know how old your mom is?

15 A Thirty-four, I believe?

16 Q who's your dad?

17 A Raymond Goldesberry.

18 Q Do you know how old your dad is?

19 A No, not 34 -- my mom. I think my mom is like 42, 40, 41?  
20 I don't keep up with it.

21 Q That's okay. So you think -- do you think both your  
22 parents are in their forties?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Do you see your dad here today?

25 A Yes.

1 Q where is he at?

2 A Behind you, I believe.

3 Q Can you describe something he's wearing?

4 A He is wearing a suit jacket, and I can't really see the  
5 rest.

6 Q Is he at counsel table with Andrea?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Or Miss Brown?

9 MS. BROWN: We'll stipulate --

10 THE WITNESS: Uh-huh.

11 MS. BROWN: -- to identity.

12 MS. DIAL: Pardon?

13 MS. BROWN: We --

14 THE COURT: I'm sorry?

15 MS. BROWN: We have no issue with the identification.

16 Q (By Ms. Dial) Are your parents married?

17 A Yes.

18 Q How long have they been married?

19 A Almost 21 -- 22 years?

20 Q Do you live with anybody else?

21 A Not currently.

22 Q How do you feel about your family, Kaitlyn?

23 A I love them dearly.

24 Q Would you describe -- how would you describe your family?

25 A As -- I don't know. Basically just happy family, just --

1 I love them.

2 Q Do you want to be here today?

3 A Absolutely not.

4 Q why not?

5 A Because I believe this whole situation is absolutely  
6 ridiculous.

7 Q we're going to get to that.

8 Have you and I met before today?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Do you remember when we first met?

11 A I believe it was 16<sup>th</sup>.

12 Q of this month?

13 A Uh-huh.

14 Q And when we met, do you remember who else was there?

15 A David Young and Shena and there was someone else that --

16 Q Was it my co-counsel, Kyle?

17 A Yes.

18 Q who's Shena?

19 A Shena is my guardian ad litem.

20 Q She's like your own attorney; right?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And did we meet after the March 16<sup>th</sup> time?

23 A Yes.

24 Q How many times?

25 A Once.

1 Q Do you remember when Shena became your attorney?

2 A Yes. We met on the 16<sup>th</sup> before I met you.

3 Q Kaitlyn, do you know your dad's defense attorney?

4 A Yes.

5 Q What's her name?

6 A Andrea Brown.

7 Q Have you met with her before today?

8 A Yes.

9 Q How many times?

10 A One occasion.

11 Q And how long did that time last?

12 A Anywhere from three to four hours, I presume?

13 Q Was that before Shena was your attorney?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Do you remember who was at that meeting with Miss Brown?

16 A My mom and my sister.

17 Q And did An- -- did Miss Brown show you and your family  
18 the evidence the Government had sent to her in this case?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Did she show you family photos?

21 A A few.

22 Q All right. Let --

23 A I glanced at them.

24 Q You glanced at them?

25 A Uh-huh.

1 Q Let's look at some of those. So I believe there is a  
2 white notebook to the side of you. If you can open it up to  
3 the first tab, No. 1.

4 A Yes.

5 Q Do you recognize the people in this photo?

6 A Yes. It is my mom, my sister, and myself.

7 MS. BROWN: Your Honor, I don't have a copy of what  
8 they're looking at in front of me.

9 MS. DIAL: Did you give her --

10 MS. BROWN: I didn't get a binder from the Government.

11 (Discussion held off the record.)

12 MS. BROWN: Thanks.

13 MS. DIAL: Uh-huh.

14 I apologize for that, Your Honor.

15 Q (By Ms. Dial) Government's Exhibit 1.

16 A Okay.

17 THE WITNESS: Your Honor, is there any way I could have  
18 water? I just had an oral surgery.

19 Thank you.

20 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Uh-huh.

21 Q (By Ms. Dial) Are you ready, Kaitlyn?

22 A Uh-huh.

23 Q Okay. So looking at Government's Exhibit 1, do you  
24 recognize the people in this photo?

25 A Yes.

1 Q who are the people?

2 A Myself, my mom, and my sister --

3 Q Do you know --

4 A -- and --

5 Q -- what day or what event this was?

6 A I do not.

7 Q Looking at the photo, can you determine what day or event  
8 it was?

9 A No.

10 Q At the top of the photo, is there a date?

11 A Yes.

12 Q What's the date?

13 A July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2 -- 2016.

14 Q So how old were you in July 2016? Do you know?

15 A I would be 10, almost 11.

16 Q 'Cause your birthday's in September?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Is this photo a fair depiction of you and your mom and  
19 sister in July 2016? Is that what you guys looked like in  
20 2016?

21 A Not exactly.

22 Q Okay. How is it different?

23 A Oh, I'm sorry; I misunderstood.

24 Q That's okay. I can ask it again.

25 How -- is this photo a fair representation, does it look

1 like what you guys looked like in 20 -- July 2016?

2 A I mean, yes. I had my hair up.

3 Q Your hair's up in the photo?

4 A Yeah. So you have no --

5 Q Okay.

6 A -- idea how long it is.

7 MS. DIAL: Your Honor, the Government would move to admit  
8 Government's Exhibit No. 1.

9 THE COURT: One's receive -- 1 for identification is  
10 received as Government's Exhibit 1 in evidence.

11 MS. DIAL: May I publish to the jury?

12 THE COURT: The motion is granted.

13 (Government's Exhibit No. 1 published to the jury.)

14 Q (By Ms. Dial) So, Kaitlyn, I think -- oops, let me zoom  
15 out a little bit more.

16 You said that you were about 10, almost 11 in this photo?

17 A Yes.

18 Q What color shirt are you wearing in the photo?

19 A Blue.

20 Q And your mom is wearing what color?

21 A White.

22 Q And your sister?

23 A Red.

24 Q All right. Now, if you could turn to Government's  
25 Exhibit No. 2.

1 A Oop.

2 Q Do you recognize the people in this photo?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Who is it?

5 A My sister and I.

6 Q And looking at the photo, can you tell what date?

7 A Yes.

8 Q It --

9 A August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

10 Q How old were you in August 18, 2016?

11 A Still ten.

12 Q Is this about a month before your birthday?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And again, like before, is this picture -- does it look  
15 like what you guys looked like when you were that age?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Yes?

18 A Uh-huh.

19 MS. DIAL: Your Honor, the Government moves to admit and  
20 offer Government's Exhibit No. 2.

21 THE COURT: Exhibit 2 for identification is received as  
22 Government's Exhibit 2 and in evidence.

23 MS. DIAL: And may I publish to the jury?

24 THE COURT: The motion's granted.

25 MS. DIAL: Thank you.

1 (Government's Exhibit No. 2 published to the jury.)

2 Q (By Ms. Dial) So, Kaitlyn, looking at No. 2, who's the  
3 person with the longer hair?

## 4 A My sister.

5 Q And that's Faith; right?

6 A Yes.

7 Q And so you've got the shorter hair. And this is, again,  
8 you said about a month before you turned 11?

9 || A uh-huh.

10 Q All right. Now, if you would look at Government's  
11 Exhibit 3 in your binder. Do you recognize the people in this  
12 photo?

13 A Yes.

14 Q who are they?

15 A Myself, my mom, and my sister.

16 Q And is there a date on that photo too?

17 A Yes. November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

18 Q How old were you on November 4, 2016?

19 A      Twelve -- or, no, 11.   Excuse me.

20 Q Had you just turned 11?

21 A Yes.

22 Q In September, I guess. So month and a half prior?

23 A Yes.

24 Q And is -- if you'll look at Government's Exhibit 5 -- or,  
25 excuse me; Government's Exhibit 3 and 4. Look at 4 now. Do

1 you recognize the people in Government's Exhibit 4?

2 A Yes. It is me and my sister.

3 Q And is this from the same date as the previous one?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And so are those two photos of you and your sister and  
6 then the one with your mom, are those fair representations of  
7 what you-all looked like in November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016?

8 A Yes.

9 MS. DIAL: The Government would move to admit Govern- --  
10 Government's Exhibit 3 and 4.

11 THE COURT: Exhibits 3 and 4 for identification are  
12 received in evidence as 3 and 4 for the Government.

13 MS. DIAL: And may I publish to the jury?

14 THE COURT: The motion's granted.

15 MS. DIAL: Thank you.

16 (Government's Exhibit Nos. 3 and 4 published to the  
17 jury.)

18 Q (By Ms. Dial) Let's look at No. 3 first. What color  
19 shirt are you wearing in Government's Exhibit 3?

20 A A cream colored.

21 Q So you're the one to the left?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And where's your mom?

24 A Beside me.

25 Q And who's holding your mom's arm in that photo?

1 A My sister.

2 Q And how old did you say you were here?

3 A Eleven.

4 Q And now, Government's Exhibit 4. I believe you  
5 previously said this is you and your sister. Still the same  
6 clothes; right?

7 A Yes.

8 Q So you're the one in the cream, and now you're on the  
9 right?

10 A Uh-huh.

11 Q And still -- I'm sorry; if you can say "yes" or "no" for  
12 the court reporter, that would help her out.

13 A No "uh-huh," like --

14 Q Right. No "uh-huhs."

15 A Okay.

16 Q Just --

17 A Yes.

18 Q -- verbal yes or no.

19 Q Okay. So --

20 A Just having issues.

21 Q Are you okay?

22 A I'm just in pain because my wisdom teeth, my dry socket.  
23 So it kind of hurts to talk.

24 Q When did you have your wisdom teeth out?

25 A I think -- I believe two -- no, one week ago. I'd have

1 to look at a calendar.

2 Q And your -- the back hurts?

3 A Dry socket.

4 Q Okay. Are you okay to keep going, or do you need a  
5 break?

6 A I -- I'll let you know if I need a break.

7 Q Okay. And just let us know if you run out of any water.  
8 Okay?

9 A Okay. Thank you.

10 Q Just a couple more photos. If you could look at  
11 Government's Exhibit No. 5 in the book.

12 A Uh-huh.

13 Q Do you recognize the people in this photo?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Who is it?

16 A Myself, my mom, and my sister.

17 Q And what's the date of this photo?

18 A October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

19 Q So how old would you have been on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017?

20 A Twelve.

21 Q And let's see, does this picture show you, your mom, and  
22 your sister about how you -- how you-all looked in October  
23 2017?

24 A Yes.

25 Q All right.

1 MS. DIAL: Government would move to admit and publish  
2 Government's Exhibit 5.

3 THE COURT: Five for identification is received as  
4 Government's Exhibit 5 in evidence.

5 MS. DIAL: And may I publish to the jury?

6 THE COURT: The motion's granted.

7 (Government's Exhibit No. 5 published to the jury.)

8 Q (By Ms. Dial) So, Kaitlyn, are you -- which one are you,  
9 right or left?

10 A I am on the far left.

11 Q And who's in the middle?

12 A My mom.

13 Q And on the far right?

14 A My sister.

15 Q Okay. If you could look at Government's Exhibit 6 and 7.  
16 Let's start with 6. Do you recognize the people in that photo?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Who is it?

19 A Myself and my sister.

20 Q And Government's Exhibit 7, who are the people in that  
21 photo?

22 A Hang on. Myself, my sister, and my dad.

23 Q And these photos don't have a date on them. Do you  
24 recall where these were taken?

25 A I believe in Galveston, Texas.

1 Q Was there a particular event your family was celebrating?

2 A It was a vacation, and my sister's birthday fell on our  
3 vacation dates. So we kind of put -- put them together.

4 Q Any particular birthday? Was it --

5 A Her 16<sup>th</sup>, I believe?

6 Q I think you said earlier that Faith's birthday was  
7 July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2001; is that correct?

8 A Yes.

9 Q So her 16<sup>th</sup> birthday would be July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017; right?

10 A Yes.

11 Q So the photos that you're looking at for Government's  
12 Exhibit 6 and 7, to the best of your knowledge, those are from  
13 July 2017?

14 A Yeah.

15 Q How old were you in July 2017?

16 A Eleven.

17 Q And the -- these two photos, do they show you and your  
18 sister and your dad about how you-all looked in 2017, when you  
19 were 11?

20 A Yes.

21 MS. DIAL: The Government would move to admit and publish  
22 Government's Exhibit 6 and 7.

23 THE COURT: Six and 7 are received in evidence for the  
24 Government.

25 MS. DIAL: And may I publish both to the jury?

1 THE COURT: The motion's granted.

2 (Government's Exhibit Nos. 6 and 7 published to the  
3 jury.)

4 Q (By Ms. Dial) So, Kaitlyn, starting with Government's  
5 Exhibit 6, what color is the shirt that you're wearing?

6 A Like a peach color.

7 Q And this is -- I believe you said you were 11; right?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And then looking at Government's Exhibit 7, you're still  
10 in the pink or peach shirt; right?

11 A Yes.

12 || Q And the girl in the middle is who?

13 A My sister.

14 || Q And who's the person on the far left?

## 15 || A My father.

16 Q And you are how old in this photo?

17 A Eleven.

18 Q Do you remember seeing all of these photos when you met  
19 with Miss Brown?

20 A Yes. But I didn't -- didn't spend much time looking at  
21 them.

22 Q Did you talk to Miss Brown about the photos?

23 A Not -- not too much, just briefly.

24 Q Did you -- you said you only met with her the one time.

25 Did you ever go back to Miss Brown's office?

1 A Yes, to sign a document.

2 Q Was Miss Brown there?

3 A No.

4 Q what document did you go and sign?

5 A I believe it was an affidavit?

6 Q So what happened? You showed up to sign an affidavit?

7 A Uh-huh.

8 Q Did you write the affidavit?

9 A No.

10 Q If you'll look at Government's Exhibit 10 to make sure  
11 we're talking about the same thing, do you recognize  
12 Government's Exhibit 10?

13 A Yes.

14 Q what is that exhibit?

15 A The affidavit that I signed.

16 Q Okay. And did you have to raise your hand and swear or  
17 do anything when you signed this affidavit?

18 A I do not believe so.

19 Q Okay. Looking at the second page, there was somebody  
20 that -- that you had to sign in front of; right?

21 A Yes.

22 Q who was that?

23 A Jessica McMillan, I believe. Is that how you say it?

24 Q Do you know who she is?

25 A She is an associate of Andrea's?

1 Q Of Miss Brown?

2 A Yes.

3 Q So do you believe she works for Miss Brown?

4 A Yes.

5 Q Who was there when you signed this affidavit?

6 A My mother, myself, and Miss Jessica.

7 Q Whose idea was it for you to sign the affidavit?

8 A It was something that we all talked about and agreed  
9 upon.

10 Q Did you write this statement?

11 A No.

12 Q Who wrote it?

13 A Miss Brown.

14 Q Your dad's defense attorney --

15 A Uh-huh.

16 Q -- wrote --

17 A Right after we spoke for three to four hours. And --

18 Q She --

19 A -- she took notes and collected them and put them in this  
20 affidavit.

21 Q How did you know that it was ready for you to sign?

22 A Because whenever I got the -- I believe it was whenever  
23 she texted me that I would need to sign paperwork.

24 THE COURT: I'm sorry; I couldn't hear you.

25 THE WITNESS: I said, I believe it was whenever she texted

1 me that I need to sign paperwork. She told me that she took  
2 all of the notes from us talking and what I said and  
3 collectively put them in this affidavit, and if there was  
4 anything that was incorrect, that we would go over it and she  
5 would make any -- any edits or changes.

6 Q (By Ms. Dial) Who texted you?

7 A Andrea.

8 Q The defense attorney texted you --

9 A Uh-huh.

10 Q -- that there was a statement ready for you to come sign?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Among other things, does this statement say you don't  
13 want your dad to be prosecuted?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Why did you sign this statement, Kaitlyn?

16 A Because I agree with the contents --

17 Q Who --

18 A -- of this affidavit.

19 Q Who was there when you signed it?

20 A My mom, myself, and Jessica.

21 Q Did you feel like you had to sign it?

22 A No. Throughout the whole process, I was told many times,  
23 if I don't want to, I don't have to.

24 Q What did you hope would happen if you signed that  
25 affidavit?

1 A I hoped that it would help the progression of this case.

2 Q what does that mean?

3 A It means that I hoped that me signing this document would  
4 aid in my father not being prosecuted.

5 Q Let's talk about why we're here today. Kaitlyn, a few  
6 years ago, did something happen with your dad that was  
7 inappropriate?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Did you have nightmares as a child?

10 A Yes.

11 Q How often?

12 A It wasn't really an exact estimate. It -- they just kind  
13 of happened when they did. There were times whenever they were  
14 bad, and there were times whenever I barely had any. And I'm  
15 pretty sure around that time, I didn't have many.

16 Q Okay. When you say "around that time," what time are you  
17 talking about?

18 A I'm talking about around the later portion of 2017.

19 Q When you would wake up from nightmares, what would you do  
20 as a kid?

21 A I would crawl into my mom and dad's bed because I was  
22 scared.

23 Q And why would you go into your mom and dad's bed?

24 A Because they made me feel safe.

25 Q So you said that a few years ago something inappropriate

1 did happen with your dad.

2 A Uh-huh.

3 Q Let's talk about that time. Was there a time that you  
4 had a nightmare and crawled into bed and just your dad was  
5 there?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Was your mom in bed?

8 A No.

9 Q Was this in the same house that you're living in now, the  
10 one -- the address you just gave a few minutes ago?

11 A Yes.

12 Q After you got into bed with your dad, did you feel safe?

13 A Yes.

14 Q You felt comfortable with him?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Do you think your dad was asleep when you got into bed  
17 with him?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Why do you think that?

20 A Because he was snoring.

21 Q Okay. And did you fall back to sleep once you were  
22 safely in bed with him?

23 A Yes.

24 Q What made you wake up?

25 A Whenever I felt his hand where it shouldn't have been.

1 Q Sorry; what was that?

2 A Said when I felt his hand where it shouldn't have been.

3 Q Where was that?

4 A Under my underwear.

5 Q Did you feel his hand before it got to your underwear?

6 A (witness shook head from side to side.)

7 Q Sorry, she's taking --

8 A No.

9 Q Thank you.

10 A I'm just in pain.

11 Q So your first feeling when you woke up was your dad's  
12 hand where it shouldn't have been?

13 A Yes.

14 Q You said under your underwear?

15 A Uh-huh.

16 Q What was his hand doing?

17 A It was placed there.

18 Q Was it moving?

19 A Barely.

20 Q What do you mean "barely?"

21 A "Barely" meaning he was still very much out of it.

22 Q Okay. I understand that's what you believe was  
23 happening. I'm asking you to describe what his hand was doing.  
24 So I think you said his hand was barely moving. Where was his  
25 hand barely moving?

1 A You must understand that this is a very embarrassing  
2 moment for me and I would -- I was hoping I could just move on  
3 and not have to discuss this ever again. So please excuse me  
4 being uncomfortable.

5 Q You're okay. I need you to answer where his hand was,  
6 though.

7 A I'm not exactly sure how I should answer, like,  
8 phrase-wise. He was touching my vagina point unblank [sic].

9 Q The outside or inside?

10 A Barely.

11 Q Barely what?

12 A Part of the outside, barely the inside.

13 Q So you could feel his fingers on the inside?

14 A Barely.

15 Q Which way were you facing?

16 A The wall.

17 Q Was --

18 A Like, my back was to him.

19 Q And do you know which hand he was touching you with?

20 A I believe his right --

21 Q Did -- was his --

22 A -- because --

23 Q -- arm draped across the top of you?

24 A Yes.

25 Q What was his other hand doing?

1 A I'm not sure. Probably at his side.

2 Q You didn't see it?

3 A I believe he was laying on his side, so his arm most  
4 likely was right -- I don't know.

5 Q Okay. You couldn't see him?

6 A No.

7 Q Were any parts of his body besides his hand and his arm  
8 touching your body?

9 A I don't -- just his hand.

10 Q And his arm that --

11 A Yes.

12 Q -- was over you?

13 So his chest and the rest of his body, you don't remember  
14 any of that touching you?

15 A I don't remember that.

16 Q Could you hear anything when he was touching you?

17 A Him snoring, like, going in and out of sleep.

18 Q What did that sound like?

19 A Like him snoring and then stop breathing for a little bit  
20 and snoring again.

21 Q Was it heavy breathing?

22 A No, it was snoring.

23 Q Deep snoring?

24 A Yes.

25 Q So what did you do?

1 A I was freaked out, and I jumped up and I'm like, "what  
2 are you doing," as any sane person would do.

3 Q Did you say his name?

4 A I said, "Dad, what are you doing?"

5 And I woke him up.

6 Q How do you know you woke him up?

7 A Because he stopped snoring and he opened his eyes and he  
8 breathed regularly.

9 Q Would it surprise you to know that your dad said later  
10 that he was half-awake?

11 A Well, he can be half-awake when he's still snoring  
12 because I have had conversations with him whenever he would  
13 talk and then snore and then he would talk and then snore.

14 Q So you said you jumped up and said, "Dad, what are you  
15 doing?"

16 A Uh-huh.

17 Q What did he do?

18 A He was very confused, and I had to explain to him what  
19 just happened. And he apologized profusely, and he said, "I  
20 thought you were your mother; I'm sorry."

21 Q Do you know how long you guys talked?

22 A I have no clue how long we talked. I know we talked  
23 after it was over, and he told me that, "If you ever come into  
24 our bed because you have a nightmare, you have to wake me up  
25 and tell me because I didn't know it was you."

1 Q How do you know he didn't know?

2 A Because he was half-asleep. And at that time, my mother  
3 and I were the -- close to the same height, close to the same  
4 build, and had similar hair.

5 Q We're going to get to that in a minute. But do you  
6 recall anything else from that night with your dad?

7 A I recall saying, "I don't want you to tell my mom because  
8 I'm embarrassed," because I should have woke him up and told  
9 him I was there.

10 Q Why do you think you should have woke him up?

11 A Because he told me that I should have woke him up, and I  
12 feel like I should have.

13 Q And he said all of that after you had freaked out; right?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Was the room dark?

16 A Yes. My mom, she worked night shifts and had a varying  
17 schedule, so she had the window in her room plastic, like it  
18 was black plastic. It was stapled.

19 Q What kind of -- do you remember what type of clothes you  
20 were wearing?

21 A No.

22 Q Do you know what type of -- were this -- was there any  
23 particular pajamas you wore at that age?

24 A (witness shook head from side to side.)

25 Q Is that a "no?"

1 A No. Sorry.

2 Q So you said that after this happened, you were  
3 embarrassed. Who did you tell? Did you tell anyone right  
4 after it happened?

5 A Not right after it happened. It --

6 Q Did you tell your mom?

7 A Excuse me. No.

8 Q Your sister?

9 A No.

10 Q Why not?

11 A Because I was embarrassed.

12 Q Did it make you sad?

13 A It was something that was a mistake, and it was an  
14 accident. And I wanted to move on because I was embarrassed.

15 Q You say it was a mistake and an accident.

16 A Uh-huh.

17 Q You believe that because that's what your dad told you;  
18 right?

19 A I believe that because he was asleep, and I woke him up.

20 Q Did your dad ever check in on you? Did he follow up  
21 after this happened to make sure you were okay?

22 A No, because I told him I didn't want to talk about it. I  
23 wanted to move on.

24 Q Did your dad ever suggest that you could tell your  
25 counselor or try and work through what had happened?

1 A No. It was one of those things, as I said before, that I  
2 wanted to move on and forget that happened.

3 Q Did he do anything at all to check in and make sure you  
4 were okay after that incident?

5 A He made sure I was at -- okay whenever I talked to him  
6 after the incident, right after the incident.

7 Q At some point, you started counseling; right?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And do you remember when you started counseling?

10 A I don't remember the year.

11 Q Did you go to counseling because of this incident with  
12 your dad?

13 A No.

14 Q Kaitlyn, why was this embarrassing?

15 A Because I feel like it should have been my responsibility  
16 to wake him up.

17 Q Do you blame yourself?

18 A Yes.

19 Q who was the first person you told?

20 A Meagan.

21 Q What's Meagan's last name?

22 A Bartlett.

23 Q Do you know how to spell that?

24 A No.

25 Q why did you -- so do you remember when you told Meagan?

1 A Not the exact date.

2 Q Do you remember what year?

3 A I'm not good with dates.

4 Q That's okay. Does 2020 sound about right?

5 A I'm pretty sure, yeah.

6 Q Why did you decide to tell Miss Bartlett?

7 A Because my sister and I have not had the best  
8 relationship because we are quite opposites. And she was  
9 almost filling that role, like we were talking and she was  
10 listening to me. And I guess I just kind of felt like I just  
11 wanted to unload all my stuff.

12 Like, I was talking about how I had a hard time in school  
13 bullying and how I was there -- witnessed my great-grandmother  
14 on my mom's side dying, and then six months later, my grandpa  
15 on my father's side dying, and how it really affected me. And  
16 I was basically just listing all of the things that I was  
17 embarrassed about or have made me sad and that have just been  
18 low points in my life.

19 And it was not the only thing I told her. I was talking  
20 about bullying and stuff. It got grouped into all of that.

21 Q And by this got grouped in, you're talking about the  
22 time --

23 A Yes.

24 Q -- in bed with your dad?

25 You said you were telling her things that you were

1 embarrassed about. Were you -- but then I think you also said  
2 things you were sad about. You were talking to her about the  
3 hard things in your life?

4 A Uh-huh.

5 Q Is that a "yes?"

6 A Yes.

7 Q Did you tell Meagan how long ago the time in bed with  
8 your dad had happened?

9 A Yes. I believe I said two to three years ago. I wasn't  
10 sure on the date 'cause, as I stated before, I am horrible with  
11 dates.

12 Q Without telling me what she said, how did Meagan react?  
13 In other words, how did she seem to you?

14 A She seemed very concerned, even though I stated it was an  
15 accident.

16 Q What did she do right after that, that night?

17 A I'm not sure.

18 Q Did she encourage you to tell anyone else?

19 A I'm not sure about that night if she...

20 Q After that night, did she ever encourage you to tell  
21 anybody else what your dad had done?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Who else did she encourage you to tell?

24 A My mom.

25 Q At some point, did you find out that Meagan had reported

1 what you told her to Child Protective Services?

2 A Yes.

3 Q How did you find out?

4 A I found out by calling her and asking her.

5 Q How did you know to call and ask her that?

6 A Because I was the one -- the only one that said anything  
7 to her.

8 Q Did Child Protective Services contact your family?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And then you called Meagan?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Do you remember who the Child Protective Services worker  
13 was that you met with early on?

14 A Like the worker, like the --

15 Q Yeah.

16 A Okay. 'Cause there is, like, a worker and then, like,  
17 the interviewer. I believe it was Breanna [sic] Gusman.

18 Q Where were you when you found out that Breanna Gusman had  
19 contacted your family?

20 A At a Starbucks® with my dad.

21 Q What did your dad tell you?

22 A I'm -- don't do verbatim. But he was wondering what it  
23 was about because, as I said before, after it happened, I told  
24 him, "I want to forget about it, and I don't want to talk about  
25 it ever again."

1 Q when you were at the Starbucks® with your dad, did you  
2 tell him what you'd told Meagan?

3 A Yes. Whenever he was concerned about -- like, we talked  
4 about it. I'm not nec- -- a hundred percent sure that I told  
5 him, but it was discussed.

6 Q what -- what's "it" that was discussed?

7 A This whole event.

8 Q So you and your dad then -- at Starbucks® when DHS  
9 contacts your family in 2020, you and your dad talk about this  
10 event again?

11 A Yes.

12 Q what did he say?

13 A I don't do verbatim.

14 Q All right. Tell us what you do remember.

15 A I remember getting the call, us being very confused. And  
16 then I remembered what I told Meagan Bartlett not too long ago.  
17 Don't know the date. And I called her, and I was yelling at  
18 her because I told her I didn't want anyone -- I didn't want  
19 her to call anyone. I didn't want her to tell anyone.

20 Q I want to focus, before you get into talking to Miss  
21 Bartlett, about the conversation with your dad at Starbucks®.  
22 So when your dad found out that you had told Miss Bartlett  
23 about this, how did he react?

24 A He was very shocked.

25 Q what did he say to you?

1 A I don't remember.

2 Q Did he talk to you about what you needed to say?

3 A No.

4 Q Did he talk about what this might mean or what the  
5 consequences might be?

6 A No. He talked to me, I believe, about -- he'd said that  
7 I had to not be with him, like we had to separate. That's  
8 about it.

9 Q So where did you go after Starbucks®?

10 A We went back to my house, and he started packing his  
11 bags.

12 Q And at some point, who else came back home?

13 Was your mom there when you got home?

14 A No. I -- I believe my sister was with Meagan, and  
15 eventually she came back. I don't remember when.

16 Q And did your mom eventually come back?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And when your sister, Faith, come back, did Meagan -- did  
19 Miss Bartlett and her dad, Mr. Bartlett, come with her?

20 A Uh-huh.

21 Q And what did you do when they arrived?

22 A We were yelling about the whole situation, saying that,  
23 "I told you not to tell anyone. I trusted you," sort of deal.

24 Q Who was we? You said, "We were yelling."

25 A Well, correction, I was yelling. Everyone else was

1 talking.

2 Q Was your dad there when you were yelling at Meagan?

3 A No. He was in our separate building, shop.

4 Q How did you know he was in the shop?

5 A Because whenever I went outside because I needed a  
6 breather, I saw Nathan go into the shop. And I followed him,  
7 and he was yelling at my dad.

8 Q And did you see your dad?

9 A Yes, I saw him.

10 Q How did your dad appear to you? what did he look like?

11 A He was very confused, and he was upset.

12 Q How do you know he was upset?

13 A Because he was crying.

14 Q Did you hear your dad say anything to Mr. Bartlett?

15 A I don't believe so. I don't remember him saying  
16 anything.

17 Q what happened after that, that night?

18 A My dad, I -- rented a hotel, and we stayed at our house,  
19 kind of shocked about what happened.

20 Q Did you --

21 A Uncertain of how to proceed.

22 Q Sorry for cutting you off.

23 Did you talk to your dad any more that night?

24 A Huh-uh.

25 Q Is that a "no?"

1 A No. Gah.

2 Q Did you talk to your mom about what had happened?

3 A Yes, 'cause she was very confused of why they called.

4 Q Did you tell your mom about the time you'd been in bed  
5 with your dad?

6 A Yes.

7 Q How did your mom react? Without saying what she said,  
8 how did she seem to you?

9 A She seemed concerned. She was like, "Are you okay?"  
10 I'm just like, "Yeah, I'm okay. It was an accident."  
11 And she was worried about how this may proceed.

12 Q The next day, do you remember going to a forensic  
13 interview?

14 A I don't think it was the next day?

15 Q Okay. When do you think it was?

16 A Maybe a day or so later. I'm -- I'm not sure, but I  
17 don't think it was the day after.

18 Q Do you remember going in and being interviewed by a  
19 woman --

20 A Yes.

21 Q -- named Kelsey Hess?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Who took you to the interview?

24 A My mom.

25 Q What did you tell the interviewer?

1 A My side of the story. It's -- it -- it was a lot. Can't  
2 remember exactly what I said.

3 Q Did you tell the interviewer about your dad putting his  
4 fingers in your vagina?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Do you know how old you were when you had that forensic  
7 interview?

8 A I was 14 at the time.

9 Q Do you know how old you were -- you mentioned some of  
10 this earlier. Do you know how old you were when your dad put  
11 his fingers inside your vagina?

12 A Twelve.

13 Q Are you sure?

14 A You showed me that photo. You went over the photos  
15 whenever we discussed this case. And we didn't really go into  
16 depth about the photos whenever I was talking with Miss Brown.  
17 And the --

18 Q Well, hang on. I'll -- I'll get to a question about that  
19 'cause I -- I actually hadn't asked you again about going over  
20 them with Miss Brown. But is your testimony that you were 12?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Do you -- you love your dad?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Do you feel like you need to protect him?

25 A I guess.

1 Q Your testimony today is that you remember you were 12  
2 when your dad put his fingers in your vagina --

3 A Yes.

4 Q -- right?

5 Kaitlyn, do you remember talking with the forensic  
6 interviewer in May 29 -- or May 2020 at the Children's Advocacy  
7 Center?

8 A Yeah.

9 Q And that's the interview we -- we were just talking  
10 about; right?

11 A Uh-huh.

12 Q Were you honest in your interview with Kelsey?

13 A Yes.

14 Q With Miss Hess?

15 A To my knowledge, I was honest.

16 Q Do you recall in that interview with Miss Hess that Miss  
17 Hess asked you, "Tell me when that happened, when he thought  
18 you were your mom and you crawled in his bed"?

19 A I don't remember that part.

20 Q Do you remember her asking about the time period?

21 A No.

22 Q Do you remember telling Kelsey, "I honestly don't  
23 remember exactly -- how long exactly. I just knew it's been  
24 some years"?

25 A I presume? Hmm. Can you restate that?

1 Q Do you remember telling Miss Hess, "I honestly don't  
2 remember how long exactly. I just know it's been some years"?

3 A I don't remember saying that. It's --

4 Q Do you remember if you told Kelsey a definite age -- or  
5 Miss Hess? I apologize.

6 A Well, I -- at the time, I didn't know exactly because we  
7 didn't go over this. And like I said, it was one of the things  
8 I wanted to forget. And I don't believe I gave her a definite  
9 answer.

10 Q And so your testimony is that -- now that you were 12.  
11 Do you recall that Kelsey asked again, "Do you remember how old  
12 you were?"

13 You and Kelsey talked for a bit about your age; right?

14 A It has been over two years. I am not very clear on what  
15 we were talking about.

16 Q Do you recall responding to Miss Hess that you really  
17 didn't remember how old you were? "It was kind of like a whole  
18 repressed memory or whatever, I don't know"?

19 A I have already said many times that I am not sure  
20 verbatim.

21 Q Can you explain today -- or can you explain why your  
22 testimony today is that you were 12 when -- when you were  
23 interviewed in May 2020, you couldn't remember?

24 A Because it wasn't something that was discussed as regular  
25 as it has been in this case -- regularly.

1 Q So, Kaitlyn, you said earlier that you'd met with the  
2 defense attorney and that she did show you some photos; right?

3 A Miss Brown?

4 Q Yes.

5 A Yes.

6 Q And after you met with Miss Brown, you and I met with  
7 Kyle and -- or with Mr. McMaster [sic], with Mr. -- Special  
8 Agent Young, and with your attorney, Shena; right?

9 A Yes.

10 Q During that meeting, do you remember we asked you if you  
11 could remember how old you were?

12 A Could you please state that again?

13 Q Yeah. During our meeting, couple weeks ago, do you  
14 remember that we asked you if you could remember how old you  
15 were when your dad put his fingers in your vagina?

16 A Not really.

17 Q Do you remember us asking about that?

18 A Oh, asking about the age?

19 Q Yes.

20 A Yes.

21 Q And do you remember that you brought up that you had seen  
22 a photo from Miss Brown?

23 A Uh-huh.

24 Q And that Miss Brown had shown you the photo that was  
25 about the same time period?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Is that Government's Exhibit 5?

3 Here, I'll put it up for you. It's been previously  
4 admitted.

5 Is that the photo that you brought up that Miss Brown had  
6 shown you?

7 A Yes, because you were asking me to think very, very hard  
8 on the time period. And I remember going through those photos,  
9 and I saw this photo. And it kind of reminded me of that same  
10 time period.

11 Q And do you recall saying that you knew you were over 12?

12 A I really don't recall.

13 Q Okay. Your testimony today is that you were over 12?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Why does it matter that you're more than 12?

16 A Because you told me and -- and -- excuse me. You asked  
17 me how old I was. You went into great detail. And you also  
18 mentioned that it was important that we know the time period  
19 because of the certain sentence. So I was looking through the  
20 photos, and it did remind me of the time.

21 Q Did Miss Brown also talk to you about how important age  
22 was?

23 A I do not remember.

24 Q Did Miss Brown tell you that you being more than 12 was  
25 very important in this case?

1 A I do not remember.

2 Q You don't remember, or you don't want to answer?

3 A I don't remember because recently I just had surgery and  
4 I've been sleeping and I have been taking my prescribed  
5 narcotic medications and I'm having not the best memory. I am  
6 trying to remember as best as I can.

7 Q Okay. I want to go back to when CPS -- when DHS got  
8 involved in May 2020. So you said your dad went --

9 THE COURT: And, counsel, could I see you a second?

10 MS. DIAL: Yes, Your Honor.

11 (The following proceedings were had at the bench  
12 outside the hearing of the jury:)

13 THE COURT: How much longer you going to be?

14 MS. DIAL: I am on my very last page. I've probably got  
15 six questions.

16 THE COURT: Okay. Okay.

17 MS. BROWN: Was it scheduling?

18 (The following proceedings were had in open court,  
19 within the presence and hearing of the jury:)

20 Q (By Ms. Dial) Kaitlyn, you said your dad went and stayed  
21 at a hotel?

22 A Yes, to my knowledge. Uh.

23 Q Fair. Thank you. We're almost done. I know you're  
24 uncomfortable. Just a couple more questions. Okay?

25 A Okay.

1 Q So did your dad stay at the hotel?

2 A I believe so.

3 Q For how long?

4 A I have no clue.

5 Q At some point, did your dad come back home and you had to  
6 leave?

7 A Yes, I did have to leave.

8 Q When was that?

9 A I don't know.

10 Q Was it just a couple of days after you -- after your  
11 family found out about all of this?

12 A I'm very spotty on the timeline. I really don't know. I  
13 know that I stayed at my grandma's for some time and then my  
14 uncle. I'm just very spotty on the timeline 'cause it was two  
15 years ago.

16 Q Why did you have to go stay with them?

17 A I'm pretty sure because my dad came back to the house  
18 'cause we couldn't afford staying in a hotel that long.

19 Q And so you had to leave?

20 A Uh-huh.

21 Q Were you sad about that?

22 A Yes, I was.

23 MS. DIAL: Could I have just a moment, Your Honor?

24 THE COURT: Yes.

25 Q (By Ms. Dial) When was the last time you saw your dad

1 before today?

2 A I don't remember the date, but I think my mom was off  
3 working that day, so it would probably have been the night  
4 before the day he was brought in by, I believe, the FBI?

5 Q Kaitlyn, earlier you said you felt like you have to  
6 protect your dad. Do you want to be testifying here against  
7 your dad?

8 A Not against my dad.

9 Q Do you regret telling Meagan?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Why?

12 A Because she blew it out of context.

13 Q Do you blame yourself for all of this?

14 A A little bit because I should have -- I should have  
15 really known her better and trusted her because I was not very  
16 close to her. My sister -- my sister is the one that was close  
17 to her.

18 So I guess I just kind of had a moment when I felt like I  
19 was getting some sister-type affection that I wasn't receiving  
20 from my sister. And I just kind of treated her like I would my  
21 sister if we had a better relationship at the time.

22 Q Thank you, Kaitlyn. I don't have any other questions for  
23 you.

24 A Okay.

25 THE COURT: Okay.

1       Ladies and gentlemen, it's time for you to take a break.  
2 We're going to have -- it's a midafternoon break, so it'll be  
3 15 minutes. I'll see you back at the end of that time.

4 CSO: All rise.

5 (A recess was taken.)

6 THE COURT: Please bring in the jury.

7 || (Jury present.)

8 THE COURT: Please be seated.

9 || Miss Brown?

10 MS. BROWN: Thank you, Your Honor.

## CROSS-EXAMINATION

12 | BY MS. BROWN:

13 Q Did you get some water, Kaitlyn?

14 A Yeah.

15 || Q okay. Let me know if you need a break.

16 A okay.

17 Q When Miss Dial was questioning you right before our  
18 break, she asked you when the last time you saw your dad was  
19 prior to walking in the courtroom today. Do you remember that  
20 question?

21 A uh-huh.

22 Q And you'd said that it was when the FBI came and arrested  
23 him for this case; right?

## 24 A The night before.

25 Q would that have been October of last year?

1 A I believe so.

2 Q Has it been five or six months since you've seen or  
3 spoken to your father?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And is that because when -- when you testified prior to  
6 the break, you told the jury that when you were at Starbucks®  
7 with your dad, the day that you found out Meagan Bartlett had  
8 called CPS, that your dad said you had to separate. Do you  
9 remember testifying about that?

10 A Uh-huh.

11 Q You and your dad had to separate?

12 A Uh-huh, yes.

13 Q I want to clarify something. That's because DHS, or CPS,  
14 told your mother and your father that your dad had to be away  
15 from you and your sister; right?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Not because he wanted to leave; right?

18 A No.

19 Q And not because you or your mom or anybody other than  
20 some Government agency wanted him to leave; correct?

21 A Correct.

22 Q And then, at some point, he was told he could return, but  
23 you had to leave the home --

24 A Uh-huh.

25 Q -- right?

1 A Yes.

2 Q And that was, again, not because it was your mom or your  
3 dad who wanted you guys to be separated, but rather because DHS  
4 wanted you guys to be separated?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And then after some period of time where you lived with  
7 your grandparents and -- and you moved around just a little  
8 bit, I think you went to your aunt and uncle's for a short  
9 period of time as well?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Then you were allowed to come home --

12 A Uh-huh.

13 Q -- right?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And -- and your dad was allowed to be with you; correct?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And so for about a year since all this whole thing  
18 started, you got to live with your mom and your dad and your  
19 sister again; correct?

20 A Yes.

21 Q But then last fall, October of 2021, when this case got  
22 filed --

23 A Uh-huh.

24 Q -- that's when the rules, again, came up where -- now,  
25 this time it was the Court said -- your dad had to live

1 somewhere else if you were going to stay in the home; correct?

2 A Correct.

3 Q So all of that wasn't what we could call voluntary, was  
4 it? Like Dad being out of the home or you being out of the  
5 home, that wasn't something you wanted, was it?

6 A Yes. That --

7 Q You --

8 A -- wasn't something I wanted.

9 Q It wasn't something you wanted. Okay.

10 A Uh-huh.

11 Q Think it's pretty obvious, you've already answered, you  
12 don't want to be here, do you?

13 A I do not want to be here.

14 Q And, in fact, isn't it true that after this case got  
15 filed, your mother informed you that I had said, "Hey, I think  
16 the Government will probably call and -- and want to talk to  
17 the girls," so you were expecting these people at this table to  
18 contact you --

19 A Absolutely.

20 Q -- some months ago; right?

21 A Absolutely. In the beginning.

22 Q And isn't it true that you got frustrated when they  
23 hadn't reached out or tried to talk to you? Isn't that true?

24 A Yes.

25 Q And isn't it true that you repeatedly asked your mom, who

1 you were living with, if you could talk to me if they weren't  
2 willing to talk to you?

3 MS. DIAL: Objection.

4 THE WITNESS: Yes.

5 MS. DIAL: Beyond the scope.

6 MS. BROWN: Your Honor, there was quite a bit of testimony  
7 about --

8 THE COURT: No, no, no, no.

9 MS. BROWN: Oh, I'm sorry.

10 THE COURT: I think it is beyond the scope. It's  
11 sustained.

12 Q (By Ms. Brown) When Ms. Dial was asking you, before our  
13 break, about how you and I met at my office, do you remember  
14 those questions?

15 A Not all of them, but most of them.

16 Q You remember her asking you just about that topic?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Okay. Was that -- you wanted to come talk to me, didn't  
19 you?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Did I force you to come talk to me?

22 A No.

23 Q Did I insist that you come talk to me?

24 A No.

25 Q Did I threaten or intimidate you in any way when we

1 spoke?

2 A No.

3 Q Were you there completely voluntarily?

4 A Absolutely.

5 Q Were you there voluntarily much later than you actually  
6 wanted to be? You had wanted to speak to me for quite some  
7 time, and I had declined; right?

8 A Yes.

9 Q You said that when you came to my office, you and your  
10 mom and your sister were there for three or four hours?

11 A To my knowledge.

12 Q Okay. To the best of your recollection, it was several  
13 hours?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Like a whole afternoon kind of a thing?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And in that time, when you were at my office, I wasn't  
18 just talking to you for three or four hours, was I?

19 A No. You were talking to all three of us.

20 Q So I intermittently asked questions of your mom and of  
21 your sister and of you, and the whole time that I talked to  
22 each of you was three or four hours?

23 A Yes.

24 Q And when we met in my office and we were talking about  
25 all kinds of things, I had a large stack of photographs, didn't

1 I?

2 A Yes.

3 Q More than just the five that the Government showed you  
4 today; correct? Take your time.

5 A Correct. uh-huh.

6 Q And I had just -- I had about 30 or 40 pictures that I --  
7 I told you and your mom and your sister I had just recently  
8 gotten from the Government; correct?

9 A Correct.

10 Q And then I had about 30 pictures of my own that I had  
11 printed off and had just turned over to the Government. So I  
12 had about 60 or 70 photos with me; correct?

13 A Uh-huh, correct.

14 Q That packet, when we met in my office, of photos, I just  
15 passed it to each one of you and said, "Can you think of any  
16 reason why any of these would be important to the Government;"  
17 correct?

18 A Correct.

19 Q Trying to figure out, you know, why it was that they had  
20 30 or 40 family photos in evidence; correct?

21 A Correct.

22 Q And you flipped through them very quickly, and your only  
23 comment, unless I'm mistaken, was that these were not the most  
24 flattering pictures of you?

25 A Correct.

1 Q And you didn't dwell on any particular one of them very  
2 long, did you?

3 A Correct.

4 Q And did you even flip through and look at each and every  
5 one of the 60 or 70 photos that I showed you?

6 A I briefly looked through them.

7 Q But as you told Miss Dial in your meeting with her, and  
8 then again the jury today, one of those pictures triggered some  
9 memory in your mind?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And you shared that with Miss Dial?

12 A Yes.

13 Q And that was the picture of the fair --

14 A Yes.

15 Q -- correct?

16 A Yes.

17 Q The one from October of 2017?

18 A Yes.

19 Q As you've said, you believe this whole case, this whole  
20 situation, us being in court, is completely blown out of  
21 context; correct?

22 A Absolutely.

23 Q And -- and you maintained that -- you've said that from  
24 the beginning; correct?

25 A Correct.

1 Q Anybody who's asked you, including the forensic  
2 interviewer back in May of 2020, you told them all along this  
3 was a big misunderstanding, a big mistake?

4 A Correct.

5 Q You also told the forensic interviewer, unprompted, that  
6 your dad is a good man, didn't you?

7 A Yes.

8 Q And that you believed fully that he was at least  
9 half-asleep when all this happened; correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q When your dad was touching you and you turned around and  
12 said, "Dad, what are you doing," is that when you saw that his  
13 eyes were closed?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And you'd testified earlier that he was kind of snoring  
16 while he was touching you; correct?

17 A Correct.

18 Q You also mention in your forensic interview that you  
19 think your dad has sleep apnea or narcolepsy?

20 MS. DIAL: Objection.

21 THE WITNESS: Yes. Can I --

22 THE COURT: No, no.

23 THE WITNESS: Can I elaborate on that?

24 THE COURT: That wasn't -- that's not what -- I don't  
25 recall that being said.

1 MS. BROWN: Right. It's foundational.

2 THE COURT: You can ask another question.

3 THE WITNESS: I would like to --

4 THE COURT: No.

5 THE WITNESS: Okay.

6 THE COURT: There's no question pending.

7 Q (By Ms. Brown) You mentioned -- when Miss Dial was asking  
8 you questions before our break today in court, you mentioned  
9 that you'll be having a conversation with your father and then  
10 he'll start snoring. Do you remember that testimony?

11 A Yes.

12 Q And has that happened more than one time that you'd have  
13 a conversation with him while he's sitting in a chair, and he  
14 would just plumb fall asleep?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And you'd have to wake him up to finish the conversation?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Can you tell the difference between when your dad is  
19 snoring 'cause he's asleep or if he's --

20 A Uh-huh.

21 Q -- breathing because he breathes loud?

22 A Yes, I can tell the difference.

23 MS. DIAL: Objection.

24 THE COURT: Overruled.

25 Q (By Ms. Brown) You can answer. You can tell --

1 A Yes.

2 Q -- the difference?

3 A Yes, I absolutely can.

4 Q And the snoring that you referred to in the incident, the  
5 touching in the bed incident, that was clearly snoring, not  
6 just breathing?

7 A Clearly.

8 Q You said that after you exclaimed, "Dad, what are you  
9 doing," then he apologized profusely. Do you recall that  
10 testimony?

11 A Yes.

12 Q You have never told anyone that this wasn't an honest  
13 mistake, have you?

14 A No, I've never told anyone this was [sic] an honest  
15 mistake.

16 Q You even told the forensic interviewer the -- the day,  
17 May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020, that you went in for your interview, that you  
18 thought this was stupid, didn't you?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Before your interview, your mother told you to be honest  
21 in the interview, didn't she?

22 A Absolutely.

23 Q And you -- you let the forensic interviewer know because  
24 she was exploring if anybody was intimidating you or trying to  
25 cause you to say something other than what was true; correct?

1 A Correct.

2 Q And you -- you relayed to the forensic interviewer that  
3 you had only been told to be honest?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And were you honest during your interview?

6 A Yes.

7 Q And you understand just like -- well, you understand  
8 today, obviously, we're in a courtroom and you're on the  
9 witness stand, so you're under oath?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And so you're telling the truth today as well?

12 A Absolutely.

13 Q Has anyone ever told you what to say in court?

14 A No.

15 Q Has anyone asked you to lie?

16 A No. The only instructions is how the Court operates and  
17 how I should behave in front of the Judge.

18 Q Okay. After having looked at the photographs that I  
19 showed you and then looked -- did you look at the photographs  
20 that -- the family photographs, like the ones that are in  
21 evidence, when you met with Miss Dial?

22 A Yes, very quickly whenever I was with you.

23 Q And did you identify the one at the state fair is the one  
24 that you recalled being -- was it -- was -- was the state fair  
25 shortly after, or was the touching incident shortly after the

1 fair?

2 A It -- the touching incident was shortly after the fair.

3 Q Okay. And until you saw that photograph and -- and were  
4 really pressed by Chant- -- I'm sorry, Ms. Dial -- until you  
5 were really pressed on the issue of when or how old you were  
6 when this happened, you -- can you help me understand how you  
7 be- -- are so sure today when you weren't sure before?

8 A Because we were going over this case. And they were, in  
9 great detail, trying to pull from my memory what I do remember  
10 because I tried to forget this whole thing because it was  
11 completely embarrassing, and it is completely embarrassing that  
12 I'm in front of this many people saying this.

13 Q You're a very private person, aren't you?

14 A Yes.

15 Q When you started menstruating for the first time, you  
16 didn't even tell your parents, did you?

17 A I didn't. I didn't believe they had to know.

18 Q When you were in the forensic interviewer -- forensic  
19 interview with Miss Kelsey Hess, she spent less than an hour  
20 with you total; correct?

21 A Correct.

22 Q And you only met Miss Hess one time; correct?

23 A Correct.

24 Q There was only one touching incident ever; correct?

25 A Correct.

1 Q You had testified that you believed that your mom had  
2 gotten out of bed and gone to work?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Is that because she's a nur- -- she's a labor and  
5 delivery nurse; correct?

6 A Yes.

7 Q And so sometimes she'll get up in the middle of the night  
8 or very, very early in the early morning hours and leave for  
9 work while everybody's still asleep; correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q But your sister, Faith, would have been home at that time  
12 when this happened; correct?

13 A I believe so.

14 Q And you told the forensic interviewer that she was  
15 probably asleep 'cause it was early in the morning?

16 A Uh-huh, yes.

17 Q Had you ever crawled into your mom and dad's bed after a  
18 nightmare before?

19 A Yes.

20 Q And was that one time or more than one time before this  
21 incident?

22 A More than one time.

23 Q And was it a couple times or several times?

24 A Several times collectively over the years.

25 Q Over the years. And it wasn't something that you did

1 regularly, though, was it?

2 A No.

3 Q It's not like something that you did every week or even  
4 every month?

5 A No.

6 Q Would just depend on whether you were having nightmares  
7 and whether you felt safe in your room?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Okay. And nothing bad or inappropriate or uncomfortable  
10 had ever happened when you'd crawled into your mom and dad's  
11 bed prior to the occasion that brings us to court today, had  
12 it?

13 A No, nothing.

14 Q Uh. And the one time that we're here about, the one time  
15 that you got touched, as soon as you said the word "Dad," your  
16 step -- your dad stopped; correct?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And that's when you had to describe for him or explain to  
19 him what had happened?

20 A Yes.

21 Q You would agree with -- with your father -- Miss -- Miss  
22 Dial asked you about it on direct -- you had a -- a  
23 conversation with your dad after; right?

24 A Yes.

25 Q where you guys discussed what had happened; right?

1 A Yes.

2 Q During that conversation, isn't it true that you and your  
3 dad discussed ways to make sure something like this never  
4 happened again?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And did that include him asking you to just always be  
7 sure, if you came into his bed and he was asleep, that you woke  
8 him up so that he knew you were in bed with him?

9 A Yes.

10 Q During that conversation with your dad right after it  
11 happened, did you and him discuss talking to your mom about  
12 this?

13 MS. DIAL: Objection.

14 THE WITNESS: Yes.

15 MS. DIAL: Hearsay.

16 THE WITNESS: Yes.

17 MS. BROWN: Just the --

18 THE COURT: That -- that question does not call for  
19 hearsay. But if you're going to object to further response,  
20 I'll hear from you. You want to be heard?

21 MS. DIAL: Yes, Your Honor.

22 MS. BROWN: I'm not going to get into hearsay.

23 THE COURT: Okay.

24 MS. BROWN: I have no intention of getting into hearsay.

25 THE COURT: Okay.

1 Q (By Ms. Brown) So backing up to -- to my last question.

2 A Uh-huh.

3 Q During that conversation with you and your dad after this  
4 happened, part of that discussion, one of the topics was  
5 whether or not to tell your mom; right?

6 A Yes.

7 Q And it was you who insisted that you didn't want your dad  
8 to tell your mom, and you didn't want to tell your mom?

9 A Yes. I was --

10 Q why?

11 A -- severely embarrassed.

12 Q Okay. Did you and him both agree after you begged him  
13 not to tell your mom that you wouldn't and he wouldn't?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Do you appreciate that your dad respected your wishes?

16 A I do.

17 Q During that conversation before your -- you convinced  
18 your dad not to tell your mom, he wanted to tell your mom,  
19 didn't he?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Did your dad ever tell you not to tell anybody?

22 A No.

23 Q Did your dad ever tell you not to tell your therapist?

24 A No.

25 Q Did your dad ever tell you not to tell your friends?

1 A No.

2 Q It was you who wanted to keep this private --

3 A Yes.

4 Q -- and not talk about it with anybody else; correct?

5 A Yes. He was only interested in making sure I was okay.

6 Q I know that these are embarrassing topics, and I  
7 apologize, but I have to ask these questions. You started your  
8 period shortly after you turned 11; correct?

9 A Yes. That's the same time my mom did.

10 Q And you grew pubic hair even before you started your  
11 period?

12 A Yes.

13 MS. DIAL: Objection. Outside the scope.

14 THE COURT: Overruled.

15 Q (By Ms. Brown) Before you even started your period at --  
16 at 11, you had already grown pubic hair?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Okay. And did you, back when you were 11 or 12 years  
19 old, do anything special as far as grooming or shaving or  
20 waxing your pubic hair?

21 A No.

22 Q Okay. You don't have any scars or anything on your  
23 vaginal area that would immediately indicate to somebody that,  
24 you know, that was your body, like a mole or a raised, textured  
25 skin?

1 A I do not.

2 Q Okay. I want to talk about Meagan Bartlett for a moment.  
3 Before all this happened, you would consider her a friend;  
4 would you agree?

5 A Yes.

6 Q You thought you could trust her, didn't you?

7 A Yes.

8 Q You at least felt comfortable talking to her back in May  
9 of 2020; correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And you felt like you could confide in her; correct?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Middle school, teenage years, the -- those can be  
14 difficult for a girl; right?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Were they particularly difficult for you?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Did you get bullied at school?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Did you change schools because you were being bullied?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And then did you get bullied again at your new school?

23 A It depends. There was a lot of schools.

24 Q Okay. Did you get bullied at more than one school even  
25 though you had left one school to try to avoid the bullying?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Did the bullying include body shaming?

3 A Yes.

4 Q When you were talking to Meagan about these heavy things  
5 that were happening in your life, did you include talking about  
6 your grandma and your grandpa dying?

7 A Yes, that was the first.

8 Q And why was that so traumatic for you?

9 A Because I love them dearly and just I -- I was the type  
10 of kid that I loved them so much, you couldn't stop me from  
11 being there in their last moments, but I didn't know the effect  
12 it would have on me.

13 Q Did you watch both of them die before your eyes?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Around this time, you also had a cat Smokey who you were  
16 very, very close to; correct?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And right around that time, Smokey died as well?

19 A Yes.

20 Q And all these things that were happening that were  
21 causing you -- do you suffer from depression?

22 A Yes, genetic --

23 Q Do you --

24 A -- depression.

25 Q And do you suffer from anxiety?

1 A Yes.

2 Q And have you for a very long time?

3 A Yes.

4 Q As a result of these things and maybe even other things,  
5 did you start cutting at some point?

6 MS. DIAL: Objection.

7 THE WITNESS: Yes.

8 MS. DIAL: Relevance.

9 THE COURT: Sustained.

10 Q (By Ms. Brown) While you were confiding in Meagan, is one  
11 of the main topics you discussed with her that you had been  
12 cutting?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And while you were telling Meagan all these other things,  
15 is that when you threw in that, oh, by the way, one of the most  
16 embarrassing things that's ever happened to me in my life is  
17 while my dad was sleeping and I was in bed with him, he touched  
18 me, and it was horrifying?

19 A Yes. Among other embarrassing things.

20 Q Before you told Meagan about this incident in the bed  
21 with you and your dad, was this incident that brings us to  
22 court something that was regularly occupying your mind?

23 A No. I felt comfortable with her. And I just kind of  
24 just let out all of the pain that I just kind of chuck away in  
25 the back of my head.

1 Q Other than what you've described for us in court today,  
2 has your dad ever done anything sexual or inappropriate to your  
3 body?

4 A No.

5 Q In the years that happened after this incident, okay, the  
6 incident that brings us here, did you ever crawl in your  
7 parents' bed again?

8 A No.

9 Q Okay. Did your dad ever crawl in bed with you?

10 A No.

11 Q Was that part of the interventions that you and your dad  
12 agreed on that night to make sure nothing like this ever  
13 happened again?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Regarding the affidavit -- take your time. I'm going to  
16 do that as well.

17 Do you recall -- do you recall my asking you if you'd be  
18 comfortable to swearing to an affidavit?

19 A I believe so.

20 Q And do you recall me telling you that you did not have  
21 to, in any way, sign anything, but that I was going to prepare  
22 something that I needed to attach to something I was going to  
23 file in court? Do you recall that?

24 A Yes.

25 Q And that I explained to you that it would be a sworn

1 statement, much like you would be swearing to tell the truth in  
2 court. But that if anything was wrong or I'd gotten anything  
3 from our conversation lost in translation between taking notes  
4 and typing up the affidavit, that you needed to read every word  
5 before you signed it, and let me know if anything was wrong or  
6 you wanted me to change anything?

7 A Absolutely.

8 Q And were you happy to sign the affidavit?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Is that because you felt like the Government wasn't  
11 listening to you?

12 A Yes.

13 Q You feel safe at home even when your dad's there?

14 A Yes.

15 Q You think us all being here this week is completely  
16 unnecessary?

17 A Completely.

18 Q Do you want to be able to live with your dad again?

19 A Yeah. I miss him.

20 Q You go to therapy; correct?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Your therapist's name is Stacia Alsabrook?

23 A Yes.

24 Q And you've been seeing her and talking to her for years  
25 before any of this ever came up; correct?

1 A Yes, before it came into discussion. Yes.

2 Q And you've -- how often do you see Stacia?

3 A It depends on her vail -- availability. Sometimes it  
4 could be every two weeks to every four weeks.

5 Q Okay. So at least once, if not twice, a month?

6 A Yes.

7 Q And that's been consistent? Even when COVID hit, you got  
8 to do Zoom conferences with her so you could continue therapy;  
9 correct?

10 A Yes.

11 Q And among the things you talked to Miss Alsabrook about  
12 were the bullying and the cutting and --

13 A Yes.

14 Q -- and the loss of your grandparents and all those other  
15 things you talked --

16 A Uh-huh.

17 Q -- to Meagan about?

18 what did you originally start seeing Miss Alsabrook for?

19 A Excuse me. For -- for my bullying, and that was -- that  
20 was before anyone knew about the cutting. But mainly for the  
21 bullying and the loss of two grandparents.

22 Q And even though it started about that, have you continued  
23 to, and do you still to this day, see Miss Alsabrook?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Do you trust her?

1 A Absolutely.

2 Q Do you feel like you can tell her anything?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Do you feel like if you tell her things -- well, let me  
5 ask a better question.

6 In addition to seeing Stacia Alsabrook, did you also,  
7 within the last couple of months, start seeing yet another  
8 therapist?

9 A Yeah.

10 Q And this therapist, he didn't --

11 MS. DIAL: Objection.

12 THE COURT: Sustained.

13 Q (By Ms. Brown) Do you trust him as well?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Do you feel like there -- if -- if there's anything you  
16 needed to confide in someone, anything at all, you could tell  
17 either Stacia Alsabrook or your -- Dr. Ed, your other  
18 therapist?

19 A Absolutely.

20 Q would you agree with me that your demeanor or your -- do  
21 you know what "demeanor" means?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Your attitude during the forensic interview, would you  
24 agree that you were irritated and uncomfortable?

25 A Yes.

1 Q You rolled your eyes several times?

2 A Yeah.

3 Q At one point, she asked you a question, and in response,  
4 you said, "Jesus Christ"?

5 A That sounds like me.

6 Q Was that expressing your frustration?

7 A Yes.

8 Q But you were still honest with her?

9 A Yes.

10 Q During the forensic interview, didn't she ask you what  
11 you could do or what you would do if there was something at  
12 home that made you feel unsafe?

13 MS. DIAL: Objection.

14 THE COURT: Sustained.

15 Q (By Ms. Brown) Isn't it true that in addition to meeting  
16 with your not one, but two therapists, you articulated to the  
17 forensic interviewer that you would run away if you didn't feel  
18 safe?

19 MS. DIAL: Objection.

20 THE COURT: Sustained.

21 MS. BROWN: If I may just have one moment, Judge?

22 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.

23 (Discussion held off the record.)

24 MS. BROWN: Pass the witness.

25 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor.

## 1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

2 BY MS. DIAL:

3 Q Kaitlyn, you just said that after the incident with your  
4 dad putting his fingers inside of you, that you never got into  
5 your parents' bed again; right?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Is that because you no longer felt safe there?

8 A No. It's because I didn't want anything to happen like  
9 that ever again. And I didn't want to wake my parents up  
10 because I felt bad.11 Q You also said that your dad didn't tell you not to tell;  
12 right?

13 A Yes.

14 Q But your dad did spend a while telling you that it was  
15 all an accident; right?

16 A No.

17 Q He didn't tell you it was an accident?

18 A He didn't spend a while telling me it was an accident.

19 Q How long do you think he talked to you about it  
20 afterwards?21 A Not that long. I was uncomfortable, and I didn't want to  
22 talk about it much further. And -- and we just clarified what  
23 we needed to and moved on.

24 Q He clarified; right?

25 A We clarified.

1 Q what did you have to clarify?

2 A I had to clarify that I did have a nightmare and I -- I  
3 did crawl into bed and making sure that -- that I wasn't there  
4 for, like, the whole time, you know. Just clarifying that I  
5 understand that it was a mistake, and I would like to move on.

6 Q He clarified that it was a mistake; right?

7 A I understood that it was a mistake because I heard his  
8 snoring and I saw his eyes closed.

9 Q Can people pretend to snore?

10 A I'm pretty sure it's possible, but I don't believe he was  
11 pretending to snore.

12 Q Your testimony today is that it was your request to keep  
13 it a secret because you were embarrassed?

14 A Yes.

15 Q You didn't tell the forensic interviewer that, did you?

16 A I'm not sure. I was very uncomfortable in the whole  
17 situation, and I wanted to leave as soon as possible.

18 Q You didn't tell DHS workers that it was your request to  
19 keep it quiet, did you?

20 A I don't know because I was really frustrated.

21 Q So this is new information, that it was your request to  
22 keep it quiet?

23 A It's always been that. I, as -- I haven't gotten that  
24 into detail about it because I was very upset that we were  
25 going through this. I didn't want to talk about it.

1 Q Are you trying to keep your dad out of trouble for  
2 keeping it quiet?

3 A I'm not trying to keep him out of trouble. I'm telling  
4 the truth.

5 Q You said that your dad told you it was an honest mistake;  
6 is that right?

7 A I believe so.

8 Q That's what you really want to believe, don't you? That  
9 it was just a mistake?

10 A I know that it was a mistake.

11 Q How?

12 A Because nothing had ever happened beforehand, and nothing  
13 happened afterward. And we moved on. I wanted to move on.

14 MS. DIAL: No other questions, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: You may step down, ma'am.

16 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Uh-huh.

17 THE WITNESS: Okay.

18 CSO: And take your water if you want.

19 THE WITNESS: Yeah.

20 CSO: Leave that.

21 THE WITNESS: Okay.

22 THE COURT: Who's your next witness?

23 MS. DIAL: Meagan Bartlett, Your Honor.

24 CSO: Right here.

25 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Ma'am, if you'll go ahead and

1 stand right here, I'll swear you in. Thank you. Please raise  
2 your right hand.

3 (witness sworn.)

4 THE WITNESS: Yes.

5 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Thank you. You can go ahead and  
6 have a seat in the witness stand and adjust the microphone if  
7 you need to.

8 THE COURT: What is your name, ma'am?

9 THE WITNESS: Meagan Bartlett.

10 THE COURT: Would you spell your name.

11 THE WITNESS: M-e-a-g-a-n, B-a-r-t-l-e-t-t.

12 THE COURT: You may inquire.

13 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor.

14 MEAGAN BARTLETT, called as a witness herein, having  
15 been first duly sworn on oath, was examined and testified as  
16 follows:

17 DIRECT EXAMINATION

18 BY MS. DIAL:

19 Q Miss Bartlett, where are you from?

20 A Dewar, Oklahoma.

21 Q Is that where you still live?

22 A I currently live in Webb City, Missouri.

23 Q And did you graduate from high school in Dewar?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Did you go to college?

1 A Yes. I attended college in Miami, Oklahoma.

2 Q And what did you study?

3 A First I studied English, and then I switched to history.

4 Q Do you currently work?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Where do you work?

7 A Alorica.

8 Q What's that?

9 A We are a call center service. I work for Best Buy  
10 mostly. I work for Alorica, but Best Buy is our client. So I  
11 handle calls for Best Buy customer service.

12 Q Do you know the defendant, Raymond Goldesberry?

13 A Yes.

14 Q How do you know him?

15 A He was my dad's best friend my entire life.

16 Q So how long have you known him?

17 A Twenty-two years.

18 Q Is that how old you are?

19 A Yes.

20 Q And you said he was your dad's best friend. Did you live  
21 near Mr. Goldesberry?

22 A No. My dad moved from Tulsa when I was still a baby. So  
23 we would always travel to visit the Goldesberrys.

24 Q How often do you think you would travel?

25 A Often. A few times a month, I would see them.

1 Q And what would you do when you would go see them?

2 A Spend time with them. Spend time with his daughters. I  
3 would spend time with them. They were like my second parents.

4 Q Who was your second -- like your second parents?

5 A Raymond and Michelle. We just would hang out at the  
6 house. They would take me to the movies. We would cook  
7 dinner, have dinner.

8 Q And who's Michelle?

9 A Raymond's wife.

10 Q And you said "daughters." Who are his daughters?

11 A Faith and Kaitlyn.

12 Q Do you know their ages?

13 A Faith is 20 now; Kaitlyn is 16.

14 Q When you were growing up, did you spend equal amounts of  
15 time with both of them or more time with one or the other?

16 A I spent more time with Faith when we were younger, but as  
17 Kaitlyn was going through puberty, I spent more time with her.  
18 She was my little sister. She needed as much support as she  
19 could get so I spent --

20 Q What -- I apologize.

21 A -- so I spent more time with her.

22 Q I'm sorry for cutting you off.

23 A No, it's all right.

24 Q What types of things would you and Kaitlyn do?

25 A We would sit down and do puzzles. I would take her

1 shopping with me, to the mall, to walmart, or we'd just sit  
2 down and talk. I'd ask her if she needed to unload anything,  
3 if there's any school drama I needed to hear about. I would  
4 help her with her chores, like cleaning the kitchen, doing the  
5 dishes.

6 Q I'd like to direct your attention to May 2020. At the  
7 end of that month, do you recall Kaitlyn staying with you?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And where were you living at that time?

10 A In Miami, with my grandparents.

11 Q And did Kaitlyn come out and stay with you at your  
12 grandparents?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And what were you doing with Kaitlyn during that time?

15 A We mostly swam in the pool or did puzzles. We didn't  
16 leave the house very much. We just kind of hung out, you know,  
17 did stuff in the house, puzzles, TV.

18 Q When Kaitlyn was visiting you at the end of May 2020, did  
19 you -- did you and Kaitlyn have a conversation about things  
20 that were bothering her?

21 A Yes.

22 Q During that conversation, did Kaitlyn share things with  
23 you that made you worried?

24 A Yes.

25 Q What did you do after you heard these things from

1 Kaitlyn?

2 A I encouraged her to tell her mother.

3 Q Okay. You were all out at your house; right?

4 A Yes.

5 Q So did you encourage her to call, or did you do something  
6 else?

7 A No. I encouraged her to tell me the rest of the story  
8 first. She did not disclose everything. I felt like there was  
9 more. I told her whenever we got back, though, she should tell  
10 her mother.

11 Q Did you take her back home to her parents?

12 A Yes.

13 Q That night or the next day or something else?

14 A She had started disclosing things to me a day or two  
15 before I took her home to her parents.

16 Q And when you got her back home to her parents, did you  
17 encourage her to talk to her mom about what she'd told you?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Did you participate -- did you see Kaitlyn go talk to her  
20 mom?

21 A Yes. I originally went into a separate room with them.  
22 I asked Kaitlyn if she would like me to leave the room, if that  
23 would be more comfortable for her, and she requested that I  
24 did.

25 Q So did you leave?

1 A Yes, I left the room.

2 Q And so you weren't there for the conversation between  
3 Kaitlyn and her mom?

4 A No.

5 Q Did you see anybody else walk into that room to talk to  
6 Kaitlyn and her mom?

7 A No.

8 Q Where did you go during that time?

9 A I was in the living room with my unc- -- with Raymond and  
10 my boyfriend and Faith.

11 Q And at some point, did Michelle come back out?

12 A Yes. She came back out and said she and Kaitlyn were  
13 going for a drive.

14 Q When they got back from that drive, what did you see --  
15 or let me -- let me ask a different question.

16 When they got back from the drive, did everyone come back  
17 to the main room again?

18 A Very briefly. Michelle asked that Raymond go back to  
19 their bedroom with her and Kaitlyn.

20 Q And so then what did you see them do?

21 A I saw them -- Michelle, Raymond, and Kaitlyn head to  
22 Michelle and Ray's bedroom.

23 Q And what did you do?

24 A I sat in the living room with Faith and my boyfriend.

25 Q So you weren't a part of the conversation between

1 Michelle, Raymond, and Kaitlyn?

2 A No.

3 Q At some point, did Michelle come back out and talk to you  
4 and Faith?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Did you and Michelle and Faith discuss what Michelle had  
7 been talking to Kaitlyn about?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Did you and Michelle and Faith talk about other topics as  
10 well?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Did those topics concern you?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Did you learn other things that night that worried you?

15 A Yes.

16 Q And what did you do?

17 A I encouraged them to go to the police.

18 Q Are you aware if they did?

19 A No.

20 Q So what did you do next?

21 A I tried to get Kaitlyn to come back to Miami with me that  
22 evening along with Faith. Kaitlyn declined. Faith accepted.  
23 And we left the house.

24 Q Did you make any reports after that night?

25 A I did. The next day, I called CPS.

1 Q Did -- anybody you talked to before you called CPS?

2 A I spoke with my father. I asked him the best course of  
3 action to take.

4 Q And you then called CPS?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And did you report what you had heard and seen while you  
7 were at the Goldesberrys'?

8 A Yes.

9 Q At some point, the Goldesberrys found out that you had  
10 reported, didn't they?

11 A Yes.

12 Q How did they react? How did -- let's focus on, how did  
13 Kaitlyn react?

14 A Angrily.

15 Q Well, how do you know she was angry?

16 A She was explosive and loud, and she was just -- if you  
17 know Kaitlyn, you knew her energy was angry.

18 Q So after the Goldesberrys learned that you had reported,  
19 did you go back to the Goldesberry house?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And who was there?

22 A Raymond was located in the backyard. I did not see him.  
23 I was inside the house with Michelle, Faith, and Kaitlyn.

24 Q And that's when Kaitlyn was yelling at you?

25 A Explosive, yes.

1 Q Without telling me what anyone said, how did Michelle  
2 react to you telling CPS?

3 A Also angrily.

4 Q How do you know she was angry?

5 A Also explosive, yelling, her tone of voice.

6 Q And you said you didn't see the defendant?

7 A No.

8 Q You -- I believe you said he -- he was in the backyard.  
9 If you didn't see him, how did you know that?

10 A I was told.

11 Q Okay. How did all of that make you feel when they got  
12 mad at you for telling?

13 A Upset, scared, worried. That's -- that's pretty much it.

14 Q Have you talked to any of them since that night when they  
15 confronted you for telling?

16 A No. I've had no contact.

17 Q Because you don't want contact?

18 A I would love to have contact with the girls.

19 Q Were the Goldesberrys like a second family to you?

20 A Ray and Michelle were my second parents. And those girls  
21 were my sisters.

22 Q How has it been since you reported it?

23 A I've lost an entire family.

24 MS. DIAL: No other questions, Your Honor.

25 CROSS-EXAMINATION

1 BY MS. BROWN:

2 Q Just as a foundational question: You are not related to  
3 Oklahoma Governor and United States Senator Dewey Bartlett, are  
4 you?

5 A No direct relation as far as I know. I have been told it  
6 could be a distant relation, but I do not know him personally.

7 Q And same question: You don't know personally or aren't  
8 related to Mayor Dewey Bartlett Jr; correct?

9 A Correct.

10 Q Okay. When you and Faith went back to Miami the night  
11 before you reported, that was the night before Memorial Day;  
12 correct? Sunday, May --

13 A I --

14 Q -- 24<sup>th</sup>?

15 A -- believe so.

16 Q Okay. So that night that you went back with Faith to  
17 Miami, you claim that you had already told Faith what Kaitlyn  
18 had said about the incident with her -- their dad?

19 A Yes.

20 Q And you're saying that Faith left town with you and  
21 didn't stay with her sister or her family even though you'd  
22 told her all this?

23 A Yes.

24 Q So you left Kaitlyn, the child, with Raymond and Michelle  
25 and took Faith, the adult, to Miami with you?

1 A Yes.

2 Q But you were so concerned for Kaitlyn that you'd felt  
3 like you needed to call DHS the next day?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And when you called DHS, that was when you and Faith were  
6 in Miami, and Kaitlyn was in Tulsa with Raymond and Michelle?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Okay. You had -- you told DHS when you called and  
9 reported this on Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, that you had seen Kaitlyn  
10 that morning, but that wasn't true, was it?

11 A I did not tell them I saw her that morning.

12 Q Okay. So if the DHS records indicate that you said you  
13 saw the child -- Kaitlyn, the child in question, that morning,  
14 those records are inaccurate?

15 A I saw her the morning before.

16 Q Sunday -- Sunday morning, the morning before you went  
17 back to Miami?

18 A I do not know what day of the week it was.

19 Q Okay. But whatever day of the week it was, the day that  
20 you reported, you had not seen Kaitlyn that morning; correct?

21 A No. I had only been in contact with Faith since the  
22 night before.

23 MS. BROWN: Your Honor, may I approach the witness?

24 THE COURT: For what?

25 MS. BROWN: To show her about the reporting documents that

1 I referred to.

2 THE COURT: Did you show it to counsel?

3 MS. BROWN: It's Bates 19.

4 MS. DIAL: It's in Government's Exhibit -- should be in  
5 discovery with Government's Exhibit 19.

6 MS. BROWN: Okay.

7 Q (By Ms. Brown) Do you have the binder up there that has  
8 the Government's exhibits? It should be white.

9 A This one?

10 Q Yeah. Yeah. Will you turn to No. 19 for me, Tab 19.  
11 Tell me when you've had a -- okay.

12 Now, the way these reports are, there's like little  
13 blocks. Do you see what I'm saying?

14 A Uh-huh.

15 Q I'm just going to try to help you see if -- you're  
16 welcome to read the whole thing if you want. If you flip back  
17 to the page before the page that has the exhibit sticker on it,  
18 the one that's -- says page 18 at the bottom in red, you see  
19 No. E, reporter information, Meagan Bartlett.

20 That's you; correct?

21 A I do not see anything on this page.

22 Q On page -- when -- when you --

23 A Eighteen.

24 Q I'm sorry. When you flip to the 19 tab, but the very  
25 first page.

1 A Uh-huh.

2 Q The one that has the Exhibit 19 sticker on it.

3 I'm not trying to confuse you, I promise. I just want to  
4 make sure you're on -- literally on the same page as I am.

5 A Yeah.

6 Q And you can see where it says, E, reporter information,  
7 Meagan Bartlett.

8 That -- you're the reporter; correct?

9 A Yes, I am the reporter.

10 Q The person that called CPS. And then F is the details.  
11 And so if you flip the page -- I'm not trying to trick you --  
12 if you go to -- there's two big blocks, three, four -- fifth  
13 block, "Reporter saw the child this morning," that is not  
14 something that you said. They got that wrong?

15 A I'm sorry; I'm not seeing it.

16 Q It's okay. Are you having a hard time?

17 A I am.

18 Q That's okay. So on -- there's these red numbers right  
19 here on the bottom. I'm on page 19.

20 A Uh-huh.

21 Q Okay? And then if you'll look at the bold question,  
22 "Does the child have any injuries," do you see that?

23 A Does the child have injuries?

24 A I do see it.

25 Q Okay. And then right under that, it says, "Reporter" --

1       that's you -- "saw the child" -- that's Kaitlyn -- "this  
2 morning."

3       A     "This morning" is referring to very, very early in the  
4 morning, as in an hour or two after midnight.

5       Q     So the night before?

6       A     Yes.

7       Q     And even though you were the person who called DHS and  
8 really kind of get -- got this whole ball rolling, they didn't  
9 contact you to interview you for three weeks, did they? It was  
10 June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020?

11      A     Correct.

12      Q     Your boyfriend, John Mahan, was present at the  
13 Goldesberrys' house the night that you brought Kaitlyn back  
14 with you from Miami; correct?

15      A     Yes.

16      Q     And then did he return to Miami with you and Faith?

17      A     Yes.

18      Q     Okay. But when you and Kaitlyn went to Miami that  
19 Thursday before, a couple days before, it was just you and  
20 Kaitlyn in the car on the way to Miami?

21      A     Yes.

22      Q     Okay. You told law enforcement that on the days that you  
23 were sharing this information with Mrs. Goldesberry -- so I'm  
24 talking about Michelle -- that you texted Mrs. Goldesberry  
25 several times. Do you recall that?

1 A I do remember having a text conversation.

2 Q Supposably, according to you, on the day you brought  
3 Kaitlyn home from Miami, you texted Mrs. Goldesberry --  
4 Goldesberg -- I'm sorry; Goldesberry, to meet you and Kaitlyn  
5 in Faith's room. Do you remember claiming that?

6 A I do not remember specific details about it, no.

7 Q Okay. That's okay. If you'll flip for me with that  
8 binder to Tab No. 21.

9 And then obviously at some point during the course of  
10 the -- this case pending, you've met with the folks over here  
11 at this table; correct?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Okay. And when you met with them, they asked you a bunch  
14 of questions. And one of the times you met with them was in  
15 December of 2020; correct?

16 A I am not sure on specific dates.

17 Q Okay. If you'll look at the Tab No. 21 that I just  
18 referenced, if you'll glance at that, does that look like a  
19 summary of the time that you met with them?

20 A Yes. I was in contact with a separate FBI agent in  
21 December of 2020.

22 Q Okay. So I'm just making sure timeline-wise, you --

23 A Yes.

24 Q -- understand what I'm saying.

25 So in that conversation with that FBI agent, when that

1       FBI agent was interviewing you -- let's see if I can find it so  
2       I can help. Did you tell that FBI agent that you had texted  
3       Michelle and asked her to come and talk -- Mrs. Goldesberry,  
4       and asked her to come and talk to you in Faith's room?

5       A      I do not remember the specific conversation.

6       Q      Okay. Would looking through your statement there help  
7       refresh your recollection since it's been since December of  
8       2020? I can direct your atten- -- Miss Bartlett? Would  
9       looking at that help you refresh your recollection?

10      A      Yes.

11      Q      Okay. Just skip to that second page for me, same tab,  
12       third paragraph, after "Faith."

13      A      I do have a vague memory of texting Michelle. I do not  
14       remember the specific words used.

15      Q      Okay. But do you remember -- now, do you remember not  
16       only texting her, but then telling the FBI that you texted her?

17      A      Yes.

18      Q      Okay. Not trying to trick you.

19           And then again, according to you, after you and Faith  
20       spoke privately -- do you remember discussing that just a few  
21       minutes ago on direct examination where you had a private  
22       conversation with Faith?

23      A      Yes.

24      Q      Okay. After you and Faith spoke in Faith's room, you  
25       also claim you texted Michelle to join you. Do you recall

1 that?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Okay. And so something as simple as turning over those  
4 text messages could have corroborated at least that part of  
5 your story; correct?

6 A Yes.

7 Q But you never provided those text messages to DHS, TPD,  
8 the FBI, or the prosecutors, did you?

9 A No.

10 Q By the time you and Faith return from Miami to Tulsa, you  
11 had already made your CPS -- or your DHS referral; correct?

12 A I'm sorry. By the time Faith and I returned to Tulsa?

13 Q Uh-huh.

14 A Yes.

15 Q 'Cause you made it when you were in Miami.

16 A Yes.

17 Q Okay. So you had already started the investigation  
18 before you brought Faith back to Tulsa. And so you already  
19 knew -- by the time you and Faith made it from the hospital  
20 where you were visiting your mom back to the Goldesberrys', you  
21 already knew that CPS had contacted Michelle by then; correct?

22 A I didn't. CPS was not in contact me -- with me. I did  
23 not know when they made contact.

24 Q Isn't it true that while you and your dad were visiting  
25 your mom in the hospital, Faith was in the car waiting?

1 A Yes.

2 Q And then Faith starts trying to get ahold of you to tell  
3 you that -- that you guys need to go? Do you remember that?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And that was also via text message; correct?

6 A I do believe so. I know she tried to call me a couple of  
7 times.

8 Q And that was because, while Faith was in the car waiting  
9 at the hospital for you and your dad to visit your mom, Faith  
10 got a call indicating that CPS was involved, and she was  
11 frantic to get home; isn't that true?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Okay. So by the time you and your dad get back in the  
14 car with Faith, Faith knew something was up that involved DHS;  
15 correct?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Did she seem surprised?

18 A Disappointed.

19 Q You did provide the text messages that Faith sent you to  
20 the Government while you were in the hospital visiting your  
21 mom, though; correct?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And then you provided text messages to the Government  
24 that you sent Faith on her 19<sup>th</sup> birthday in July 2020, months  
25 after this happened; correct?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Your mother was in the hospital because she had attempted  
3 suicide; correct?

4 MS. DIAL: Objection.

5 THE WITNESS: She --

6 THE COURT: Sustained.

7 Q (By Ms. Brown) Are you aware that the Sunday night, the  
8 night before you called DHS, Mr. Goldesberry had confronted  
9 your father, and they'd had a disagreement?

10 MS. DIAL: Objection. Relevance.

11 THE COURT: Sustained.

12 Q (By Ms. Brown) No one from the Tulsa Police Department  
13 ever contacted you or attempted to interview you, did they?

14 A No.

15 Q Detective Scott Murphy with the pol- -- Tulsa Police  
16 Department was assigned to this case. But he or anybody from  
17 his unit or office never attempted to get a recorded interview  
18 with you, did they?

19 A No.

20 Q So after you made the referral, which is documented,  
21 correct, 'cause you've seen that documentation?

22 A (witness nodded head up and down.)

23 Q DHS interviewed you about three weeks later in June of  
24 2020; correct?

25 A Yes, I do believe so.

1 Q But then nobody else with any agency or law enforcement  
2 or anybody bothered to contact you and ask you about any of  
3 this until that conversation that we just discussed with the  
4 FBI agent in December of 2020; correct?

5 A Correct.

6 Q And that first conversation with the FBI, that was just  
7 over the phone; right? They didn't even bring you into their  
8 offices?

9 A Correct.

10 Q The night that you've described that you brought Kaitlyn  
11 home and Kaitlyn and Michelle -- oh, sorry -- Kaitlyn and  
12 Mrs. Goldesberry had a private conversation that you weren't  
13 privy to; right? You remember that part?

14 A (Witness nodded head up and down.)

15 Q They left; right?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And when Michelle and Kaitlyn came back, they had pizza;  
18 correct?

19 A I don't remember.

20 Q Okay. Do you recall that you ate with them that night?

21 A Yes. I usually ate dinner with them when I was there.

22 Q Okay. Do you recall the conversation prior to  
23 Michelle -- I'm sorry -- Mrs. Goldesberry and Kaitlyn having  
24 their private conversation where the group was discussing what  
25 they were going to eat for dinner, and Michelle ordered pizza?

1 A I do not.

2 Q Then the FBI and the prosecutor interviewed you again on  
3 February 17<sup>th</sup> of 2022, just maybe a month ago?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And in that interview, that was now two years after this  
6 conversation that you had with Kaitlyn and ultimate  
7 confrontation that you guys had at the Goldesberrys' house;  
8 correct?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And you haven't spoken to any member of the Goldesberry  
11 family, not Mr. or Mrs. Goldesberry and not Kaitlyn or Faith,  
12 since that May 2020 night when Kaitlyn was explosively angry at  
13 you; correct?

14 A Correct.

15 Q To be absolutely clear, when Kaitlyn and Michelle -- when  
16 Kaitlyn and Mrs. Goldesberry went back into the bedroom, they  
17 asked you to leave, and you have no idea the topic of  
18 conversation or the substance of that conversation while you  
19 were gone; correct?

20 A Correct.

21 Q And then there was a separate conversation on the night  
22 that you and Faith came back from Miami after you'd made the  
23 DHS referral. And in that conversation, that was when your dad  
24 was at the house -- the Goldesberrys' house, not your  
25 boyfriend; correct?

1 A Correct.

2 Q And that was the night that your dad and Raymond had a  
3 conversation out in the back, but you weren't privy to that  
4 too; correct?

5 A Correct.

6 Q And it was that second, separate night that you -- that  
7 Kaitlyn found out that you had told Faith what she had told you  
8 in confidence, and Kaitlyn was mad at you for having told Faith  
9 as well?

10 A Kaitlyn knew I told Faith the night that I encouraged her  
11 to tell Michelle.

12 Q Before you went back to Miami?

13 A Yes.

14 Q So according to you, even though there were two nights  
15 that you were at the Goldesberrys' house over the course of a  
16 week, all kind of around Memorial Day weekend in May of 2020,  
17 your testimony is that you had told Mrs. Goldesberry and Faith  
18 the stuff that Kaitlyn told you that made you concerned before  
19 you ever went back to Miami; correct?

20 A I did not tell Michelle what Kaitlyn had told me. I  
21 encouraged Kaitlyn to tell her herself.

22 Q You just told Faith?

23 A Faith opened up to me. I did not give her any details  
24 until after she opened up to me and gave me the same details  
25 Kaitlyn did.

1 MS. BROWN: Objection, Your Honor. Nonresponsive.  
2 violation of 404.

3 THE COURT: Overruled.

4 Q (By Ms. Brown) Was Mrs. Goldesberry surprised by this,  
5 for lack of a better phrase, incident or allegation that brings  
6 us to court today?

7 A No.

8 Q You remember talking to the FBI in December of 2020, and  
9 you told them then that she wasn't surprised. But then two  
10 years later, when the FBI and the prosecutors met with you in  
11 February of 2022, you told them that Mrs. Goldesberry was  
12 surprised by the allegation.

13 A She was surprised by the CPS call.

14 (Defendant Goldesberry snoring.)

15 MS. BROWN: Just a moment, Judge.

16 Q (By Ms. Brown) Have you ever seen Raymond fall asleep  
17 sitting up in a chair in the middle of the day?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Is that something that he does fairly frequently?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Is he a heavy sleeper?

22 MS. DIAL: Objection. Knowledge.

23 THE COURT: Sustained.

24 Q (By Ms. Brown) So you were -- you were concerned for  
25 Kaitlyn and -- and you wanted her to go back to Miami with you,

1 didn't you?

2 A Yes.

3 Q But she didn't want to go with you, did she?

4 A No.

5 Q And she didn't know, oh, that you had told anybody or  
6 were planning on telling anybody when she chose to stay with  
7 her parents; correct?

8 A She did not know I was planning on contacting CPS.

9 Q Okay. You are -- are you -- are you 30? You were born  
10 in '91?

11 A I am 22. I was born in '99.

12 Q Hmm. Would you flip to Tab No. 21 for me. That's that  
13 same report from December of 2020 --

14 A okay.

15 Q -- that we looked at earlier.

16 A Yes.

17 Q Right there on the first line, doesn't -- doesn't this  
18 say that you told the FBI and the prosecutors that you were  
19 born in 1991?

20 A That is what is -- is written down on record. I told  
21 them afterward, though, that we had caught that typo, and that  
22 I was indeed born in '99.

23 Q So this official record that's in that binder in front of  
24 you is wrong; right? They made a mistake?

25 A On my date of birth.

1 Q Correct.

2 what do you do for a living?

3 A I am a call center agent.

4 Q Isn't it true that you have a business Instagram account  
5 as well?

6 MS. DIAL: Objection.

7 THE COURT: Overruled.

8 THE WITNESS: It's not my business.

9 Q (By Ms. Brown) Well, isn't it true that you actually  
10 described it as a business Instagram account to the prosecutors  
11 when you met with them and they asked you about it?

12 A I don't believe I ever described it as a business.

13 Q On that Instagram account, you ask men for money in  
14 exchange for edgy boudoir, nearly nude photos with plants;  
15 correct?

16 MS. DIAL: Objection. Relevance.

17 THE COURT: Sustained.

18 Q (By Ms. Brown) If you wouldn't mind, please, Miss  
19 Bartlett, turning to Tab 22.

20 A (witness complied.)

21 Q On that tab, this is -- this is the summary from your  
22 interview in February of this year, correct, what you're  
23 looking at? Just to make sure we're looking at the same thing.

24 A Yes.

25 Q And if you'd flip to the fourth page in that tab, it

1 I should have a -- a number 263 in red at the bottom.

2 || Are you there? Okay.

3 A Yes.

4 Q One, two, three, four, fifth paragraph, it's the -- it's  
5 the big paragraph that starts with "approximately."

6 A Yes.

7 Q Okay. Isn't it true that it at least reflects in this  
8 report that you called it a business account?

9 A It does reflect it is a business account.

10 || Q So that would also be --

11 || MS. DIAL: Objection.

12 || THE COURT: Sustained

13 Q (By Ms. Brown) Would you agree there are multiple  
14 mistakes in these reports?

15 A I would agree there are a couple of mistakes.

16 || Q That's fair. Thank you.

17 MS. BROWN: If I may have just one moment, Judge?

18 || THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.

19 (Discussion held off the record.)

20 MS. BROWN: Pass the witness.

## REDIRECT EXAMINATION

22 BY MS. DIAL:

23 Q Miss Bartlett, did you write the reports that you've just  
24 looked at?

25 | A No.

1 Q So any mistakes in there, those weren't made by you;  
2 right?

3 A Correct.

4 Q You were asked about, "Reporter saw the child this  
5 morning." I think you said early morning?

6 A Yes, one or two in the morning.

7 Q Help us understand what you mean. Were you at the  
8 Goldesberrys' till one or two?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And this is the night that what -- what night is this?  
11 when they found out you'd called CPS?

12 A No. This is the night I had taken Kaitlyn back to Tulsa.

13 Q The night you encouraged her to tell her mom?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And I believe you testified that you saw her and her mom  
16 go in a room; right?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And defense counsel clarified with you that you had no  
19 idea the substance of the conversation between Mrs. Goldesberry  
20 and Kaitlyn when they went back that first time?

21 A No.

22 Q You didn't know what they talked about; right?

23 A I was not privy to the conversation.

24 Q Your testimony earlier was, later that night, you saw the  
25 defendant go in the room again, this time with Mrs. Goldesberry

1 and Kaitlyn; right?

2 A They went into a separate room. But, yes, they all  
3 entered a room together.

4 Q And you -- they all went in and talked, but you weren't a  
5 part of that, were you?

6 A Correct.

7 Q Did you learn the substance of that conversation from  
8 Michelle when she came out --

9 A The words --

10 Q -- with --

11 A -- were never said specifically.

12 Q Okay. And I don't want to get into specific words of  
13 anyone.

14 A Right.

15 Q Did Michelle come out and reference what the conversation  
16 with the defendant and Kaitlyn and her had been about?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And was Michelle's statement part of what concerned you  
19 when you made your CPS report?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And later that night, you took Faith home but not  
22 Kaitlyn. I know defense had asked you about that. Why didn't  
23 you take Kaitlyn?

24 A She did not want to come with me.

25 Q Can you make Kaitlyn do anything she doesn't want to do?

1 A Nobody can make Kaitlyn do anything she doesn't want to  
2 do.

3 MS. DIAL: No other questions, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: You may step down, ma'am.

5 Counsel, come forward, please.

6 (The following proceedings were had at the bench  
7 outside the hearing of the jury:)

8 THE COURT: Who -- who is your next witness?

9 MS. DIAL: Nathan Bartlett.

10 THE COURT: How long will he be?

11 MS. DIAL: We think we could be done with him before five  
12 for both sides.

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 (The following proceedings were had in open court,  
15 within the presence and hearing of the jury:)

16 CSO: One of the jurors needs to use the restroom.

17 THE COURT: Okay.

18 We'll take a short break. Let's say ten minutes. Okay?  
19 Thank you.

20 CSO: All rise.

21 (Jury out.)

22 THE COURT: And you-all can take a break too.

23 MS. BROWN: Thank you, Judge.

24 (A recess was taken.)

25 THE COURT: I've been educated on the pronunciation of

1 what we call "Miami." I guess we've been doing it wrong in  
2 Florida.

3 MS. BROWN: we just want to be different, Judge.

4 (Discussion held off the record.)

5 (Jury present.)

6 THE COURT: Please be seated.

7 who's your next witness?

8 MR. MCWATERS: Your Honor, the Government calls Nathan  
9 Bartlett to the stand.

10 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Would you raise your right hand,  
11 please.

12 (Witness sworn.)

13 THE WITNESS: I do.

14 THE DEPUTY COURT CLERK: Thank you. You can go ahead and  
15 have -- have a seat right there, and then adjust the microphone  
16 if you need to once you sit down.

17 THE COURT: Sir, what is your full name?

18 THE WITNESS: Nathan Andrew Bartlett.

19 THE COURT: Spell your first name.

20 THE WITNESS: N-a-t-h-a-n.

21 THE COURT: You may inquire.

22 NATHAN ANDREW BARTLETT, called as a witness herein,  
23 having been first duly sworn on oath, was examined and  
24 testified as follows:

25

## 1 DIRECT EXAMINATION

2 BY MR. MCWATERS:

3 Q Mr. Bartlett, where do you live?

4 A I live in Miami, Oklahoma.

5 Q And how long have you lived there?

6 A Six years.

7 Q Where do you currently work?

8 A Boys &amp; Girls Club of Ottawa County.

9 Q And how long have you worked there?

10 A Two months.

11 Q And before the Boys &amp; Girls Club, where did you live?

12 A Say it --

13 Q I'm sorry.

14 A -- again.

15 Q I'm sorry. Where did you work?

16 A I worked at the NEO A&amp;M campus police department.

17 Q What do you do for the campus police department?

18 A I was the deputy director, which is the equivalent of a  
19 assistant police chief.20 Q Before -- so how long have -- prior to working in the  
21 campus police office, were you in law enforcement as well?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Approximately how many years do you think that you have  
24 been in law enforcement?

25 A Right around 20.

1 Q Were you working for the campus police department in  
2 2020?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And being -- being someone who has been in law  
5 enforcement for a while, are you familiar with the term  
6 "mandatory reporter?"

7 A Yes.

8 Q Do you know what that -- can you explain what that term  
9 means?

10 A what that term means is if you suspect child abuse has  
11 gone on, you are duty-bound to report it to DHS, to whatever  
12 authorities are available.

13 Q Are there any exclusions or exemptions from -- from that  
14 requirement?

15 A No.

16 Q And in 2020, were you a mandatory reporter?

17 A Yes.

18 Q I'd like to move on to your relationship with the  
19 defendant, Mr. Goldesberry. You know Mr. Goldesberry?

20 A Yes.

21 Q How do you know Mr. Goldesberry?

22 A We have been friends since we were 16 in high school.

23 Q So not to ask you an awkward question, but how long have  
24 you known the defendant?

25 A Twenty-six years?

1 Q And we'll try not to do the math on that. How would you  
2 describe your relationship to the defendant prior to 2020?

3 A Close, extremely close.

4 Q And now, how would you describe your relationship to the  
5 defendant?

6 A We're not friends.

7 Q When you say that you were close to the defendant, can  
8 you give us just a lit- -- a little bit more detail about what  
9 you mean by that?

10 A He was my best friend. Ray has always been there for me.  
11 There have been times where I've been despondent. The man has  
12 held me while I cried. There have been times when I've held  
13 him when he's cried. Our daughters grew up together.

14 Q And you say now you are not friends with the defendant?

15 A No, sir.

16 Q When did you first find out about the allegations that  
17 have been made against the defendant?

18 A When my daughter Meagan came to my office.

19 Q And, sorry; when -- when was that? Do you remember?

20 A I don't remember the exact date. I believe it was in  
21 April of 2020. I would be guessing so...

22 Q And how did you -- I think you already asked this but --  
23 or answered this. But how did you find out about the  
24 allegations against the defendant?

25 A My daughter told me. She described what was told to her.

1 Q what did you first think when you heard about the  
2 allegations?

3 A I, at first, thought that this is something that happened  
4 due to the amount of details that I heard.

5 Q What was your next thought after that?

6 A That it needed to be reported.

7 Q You said earlier that you were a mandatory reporter at  
8 the time?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Did you want to report Mr. Goldesberry at the time?

11 A Want? No.

12 Q And can you explain that?

13 A He was my best friend. I didn't want to believe that  
14 something like that could have occurred.

15 Q So what -- after you realized that he -- it needed to be  
16 reported, what -- what were your next steps after that?

17 A My next steps was I sat my daughter down, and we called  
18 the DHS hotline.

19 Q And you say "we." Was it -- who actually made the  
20 report?

21 A My daughter.

22 Q Why did you feel like you needed -- why did you feel like  
23 Meagan needed to -- to make that call to DHS?

24 A Because the description she gave me included --

25 MS. BROWN: Objection. Hearsay.

1           THE COURT: The objection's overruled, but I think you  
2 need to rephrase the question and direct the witness.

3           MR. MCWATERS: Yes, Your Honor.

4           Q       (By Mr. Mcwaters) When you -- when you were telling  
5 Meagan that you needed -- that she needed to make the report to  
6 DHS, why did you think that you needed to make the report?  
7 Without -- without getting into anyone's statements, what --  
8 why did you -- what made you think that the report needed to be  
9 made?

10          A       Because it fell under the requirements of the law.

11          Q       And you already said you were present when Meagan made  
12 the report?

13          A       Yes.

14          Q       When did you first find out that DHS had contacted the  
15 Goldesberrys about that report?

16          A       I believe it was in the next couple of days after that.  
17 We had arrived at their house after dropping Faith off, and  
18 Michelle had directed me to Raymond in the backyard in the  
19 detached garage.

20          Q       So let's back up a little bit. Why were you -- why were  
21 you going back to the Goldesberrys' house at that point 'cause  
22 you were -- you were up in Miami when Meagan made the report?  
23 You said that she was in your office; is that right?

24          A       Yes.

25          Q       Okay. So why did you drive down from Miami to -- back

1 down to Tulsa?

2 A Faith had been staying with Meagan for several days. And  
3 her parents wanted her back home.

4 Q And so you drove down in the car, you drove Faith down  
5 and it was -- who was in the car with you?

6 A Meagan and Faith.

7 Q Do you recall when approximately you arrived at the  
8 Goldesberrys' home?

9 A I don't remember the exact time.

10 Q And when you arrived at the Goldesberrys' home, who was  
11 there?

12 A Michelle, Faith, and Kaitlyn were sitting in the living  
13 room.

14 Q Was there anyone else in the house?

15 A Not in the house.

16 Q Was there anyone else on the property?

17 A Mr. Goldesberry was in the detached garage in the  
18 backyard.

19 Q Was there a term that they called that -- that he called  
20 it?

21 A The shop.

22 Q And how did you know that Mr. Goldesberry was in the  
23 shop?

24 A Michelle told me.

25 Q What did you do when you found out that Mr. Goldesberry

1 was in the shop?

2 A Michelle had said that he wanted to talk to me, so I went  
3 back there to see him.

4 Q And what did you and Mr. Goldesberry talk about?

5 A When I opened the door and saw Ray, he was crying and  
6 said that he had messed up and messed up real bad. He said  
7 that he was also talking to another man of God about the issue.  
8 He went on to say that he wouldn't talk about what happened  
9 between him and Faith.

10 MS. BROWN: Objection. We're not here about Faith.

11 THE COURT: He's not going to -- he said he -- just ask  
12 the next question. Okay?

13 Q (By Mr. Mcwaters) At some point during this conversation,  
14 did you try to record the conversation?

15 A Yes, I did.

16 Q And why did you try to record the conversation?

17 A Because if he was going to confess something of that  
18 serious of a nature, I wanted it on recording and not just my  
19 word.

20 Q Why did you feel it was necessary to record the  
21 conversation, though?

22 A So it wouldn't be my word against his if it ever came  
23 down to a criminal trial.

24 Q Did you think he was going to say something that needed  
25 to be recorded?

1 A I thought there was a possibility.

2 Q why was that?

3 A Because of the details that Meagan had given me and that  
4 the way that he was acting.

5 Q How was he acting?

6 A He was crying. He was sobbing. He stated he had messed  
7 up. He had further stated that he wouldn't necessarily talk  
8 about what he had done.

9 Q Did he ask you any other questions?

10 A He asked me if he was speaking to Officer Nathan or  
11 brother Nathan.

12 Q And what did you say?

13 A Brother Nathan.

14 Q And did he say anything else about the allegations?

15 A No.

16 MR. MCWATERS: One moment, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: Okay.

18 MR. MCWATERS: The Government passes the witness.

19 THE COURT: Ms. Brown?

20 MS. BROWN: Thank you, Your Honor.

21 CROSS-EXAMINATION

22 BY MS. BROWN:

23 Q Mr. Bartlett, you take medication that affects your  
24 memory and cognitive function; correct?

25 A Correct.

1 Q Okay. You have informed the prosecutors and the FBI that  
2 you have a hard time with recalling certain details?

3 A I have said there are some things I don't know or don't  
4 remember.

5 Q You said, when Mr. McWaters was talking to you, that when  
6 you and your daughter Meagan arrived at the Goldesberry  
7 residence, Mrs. Goldesberry and her two daughters, Kaitlyn and  
8 Faith, were sitting on the couch in the living room when you  
9 got there; correct?

10 A Faith was with us and had walked in before I did.

11 Q Okay. That was my question 'cause face -- Faith was with  
12 you when -- you're the one that brought Faith to the home?

13 A Correct.

14 Q Because you and your daughter Meagan had been visiting  
15 your ex-wife in the hospital, and Faith was in the car while  
16 you were visiting her; correct?

17 A Correct.

18 Q Okay. When you and your daughter Meagan left the  
19 hospital and got in the car, from the time that you guys  
20 realized something was going on and Faith wanted to go home all  
21 the way until you got to the actual Goldesberrys' residence,  
22 okay? -- that's the time period I'm talking about just for this  
23 question or a couple of questions -- isn't it true that Kaitlyn  
24 called Meagan and was upset over the phone?

25 A I can't testify to that.

1 Q Were you and Meagan and Faith all in the same car?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Okay. So isn't it true that Meagan got a call and was on  
4 the phone most of the way from the hospital to the  
5 Goldesberrys'?

6 A I don't remember.

7 Q Okay. That's a -- that's something you can't say one way  
8 or the other. You just don't remember?

9 A Correct.

10 Q Okay. You had -- were just testifying about how Mr.  
11 Goldesberry asked you if he was talking to Officer Nathan or  
12 his brother, Nathan.

13 A Correct.

14 Q And you told him it was his brother Nathan, but that was  
15 not true, was it?

16 A It was true.

17 Q Well, you were in the process of trying to record him  
18 like you were law enforcement.

19 A I was not interrogating him. It was if he wanted to talk  
20 about it, he could talk about it.

21 Q Okay. Isn't it true that you tried to get him to talk  
22 about it?

23 A Negative.

24 Q Do you recall reporting to the FBI and the prosecutors  
25 that -- that when you were at the hospital and Faith was down

1 waiting for you in the car, that DHS was at the home? Do you  
2 remember saying that?

3 A No, I've never said that.

4 Q So if that is in their reports, that's inaccurate?

5 A I would say that that is inaccurate.

6 Q okay. There should be a binder like this next to you.  
7 Let's see. If you would turn to the Tab No. 23 for me, please.

8 A (witness complied.)

9 Q wait. I might have got that wrong. No, I'm -- that --  
10 that's right.

11 This'd be -- do you recall talking to the Government,  
12 talking to the FBI -- the date's there at the bottom left --  
13 around February of this year, maybe about a month ago?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Okay. And take your time; I'm not trying to trick you.  
16 But I am, in an effort to save time, if it's helpful -- if  
17 you'll flip to the second page of that tab. There at the  
18 bottom where you're looking, there should be a red No. 265.  
19 Are we on the same page?

20 A Correct.

21 Q Okay. And then second paragraph or first full paragraph  
22 that starts with "Nathan and Meagan?"

23 A I see it.

24 Q If you would just read that quietly to yourself, and then  
25 I'm going to ask you a question about that.

1 A Okay.

2 Q Having had an opportunity to read that, would you agree  
3 that, at least according to the Government, you reported that  
4 DHS was at their house? That's the exact quote next to the  
5 last line of that paragraph.

6 A I never knew anything about DHS being at their house.

7 Q So that's not accurate? You would disagree that you  
8 reported that to the FBI and the --

9 A It never says --

10 Q -- prosecutors?

11 A -- I reported it in there.

12 Q Well, you would agree that this is a summary of your  
13 statement, correct, or your interview with them?

14 A I would agree with that.

15 Q Okay. And you would agree that at least it says that you  
16 reported to them, among other things, that DHS was at the  
17 Goldesberrys' house?

18 A Can you show me that exact line, please?

19 Q Yes. Next -- it -- it's that first full paragraph next  
20 to the last line. Starts with the words "informed Faith DHS  
21 was at their house."

22 A "Michelle informed Faith DHS --

23 Q Don't read it.

24 A -- was at their house."

25 Q Don't read it out loud, sir. I'm asking you if you would

1 agree with me --

2 A I disagree.

3 Q You disagree?

4 A I never stated that.

5 Q And that's just what I'm trying to get at, sir, that that  
6 is inaccurate. That you did not say that; is that correct?

7 A It doesn't even say I said that in there.

8 Q Okay. We're going to have to go back. Let me ask the  
9 first question. You disagree that it says that DHS was at  
10 their house even though the words "DHS was at their house" is  
11 in the statement?

12 A I agree that DHS is in their house, but trying to say  
13 that I knew that DHS was there would be entirely inaccurate.

14 Q That's not what I'm trying to say. Listen to my  
15 questions. My question is: Does it say DHS was at their  
16 house?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And in this statement, it is from when you met with these  
19 people over here at this table and told them, to the best that  
20 you could recall, what happened in May of 2020; correct?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And even though it says that DHS was at their house, you  
23 don't have any recollection of having reported that because you  
24 don't know whether DHS came to their house; correct?

25 A Correct.

1 Q Okay. That's all I'm asking.

2 when you and Mr. Goldesberry were talking in the shop, he  
3 indicated to you that -- that he -- when you said a "man of  
4 God" earlier, he was referring to a pastor that he was speaking  
5 to; is that correct?

6 A I assumed that's what he meant.

7 Q Okay. And isn't it true that he articulated to you while  
8 he was crying out there in the shop, just you guys talking,  
9 that he was concerned about his marriage?

10 A I don't recall that.

11 Q Okay.

12 MS. BROWN: Just a moment.

13 (Discussion held off the record.)

14 Q (By Ms. Brown) Mr. -- Mr. Bartlett, ab- -- give or take  
15 within the week of this happening, isn't it true that Mr.  
16 Goldesberry, your friend, over the phone confronted you about  
17 the way you speak of your ex-wife in front of your children?

18 MR. MCWATERS: Objection.

19 THE COURT: Sustained.

20 MS. BROWN: May I make a brief record?

21 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am. Not here. I'll send the jury  
22 out.

23 Ladies and gentlemen, I need just a minute, please.

24 CSO: All rise.

25 (Jury out.)

1           THE COURT: All right.

2           MS. BROWN: Thank you, Your Honor.

3           THE COURT: I assume that -- I assume the object- -- or  
4 what's the basis of the objection?

5           MR. MCWATERS: Relevance, Your Honor.

6           THE COURT: Okay.

7           Go ahead.

8           MS. BROWN: Your Honor, I believe that the confrontation  
9 that occurred within a week of this occurring upset  
10 Mr. Bartlett. I believe that -- the proffer would be that if  
11 allowed to continue to question, that my client had a phone  
12 conversation that was heated and that upset Mr. Bartlett within  
13 a week of this occurring, within days of he and Meagan calling  
14 DHS and reporting this incident, and it was specifically --

15           THE COURT: See, the problem I have is I don't know what  
16 the witness has said that is inconsistent with your theory of  
17 the case at all. And you go into cross-examination, what --  
18 you're going to try to show that he had a motive to fabricate?  
19 Is that it?

20           MS. BROWN: Correct.

21           THE COURT: What did he fabricate about, do you think?

22           MS. BROWN: It -- it's not a motive to fabricate.

23           THE COURT: What -- what is the point you're trying to  
24 make?

25           MS. BROWN: The -- it -- it's a motive to have gotten

1 DH- -- to blow this up bigger than it should have been.

2 THE COURT: Do you disagree that he's required by law to  
3 do that? I mean, in Florida, I know you are. I assume that  
4 Oklahoma's the same. If you get information of a sexual  
5 battery on a child, you're required to report it.

6 MS. BROWN: But, again, it -- it kind of --

7 THE COURT: Particularly if you're in a position of  
8 authority, like in law enforcement.

9 MS. BROWN: I certainly don't disagree with that. In  
10 fact, in Oklahoma, everyone's a mandatory reporter.

11 THE COURT: Well, I think it is that way everywhere.

12 MS. BROWN: Uh-huh. And it should be. I agree. However,  
13 I -- I believe that their motives for the fabrication of some  
14 of the things that they reported --

15 THE COURT: Wait a minute. "Their motives?" Whose  
16 motives?

17 MS. BROWN: The Bartletts.

18 THE COURT: Well...

19 MS. BROWN: I just wanted to be sure and make a record for  
20 appeal purposes, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: Well, I'm taking you at your word that you  
22 somehow think this is relevant, and I don't know that you can  
23 connect it.

24 MS. BROWN: Okay. Your Honor, since we're outside the  
25 presence of the jury, before I pass this witness, I am going to

1 reiterate my request and objection to the Court's ruling, while  
2 I understand and respect the Court's ruling, for appeal  
3 purposes, to the --

4 THE COURT: Your 404 objection?

5 MS. BROWN: No. The Government's motion in limine with  
6 regard to Mr. Bartlett and Meagan and the incident in the bed  
7 that you ruled on this morning.

8 THE COURT: You're going too fast for me. Let me take  
9 this up first. Okay?

10 MS. BROWN: Okay.

11 THE COURT: I'll give you an opportunity to make your  
12 other record.

13 The original question was that --

14 MS. BROWN: About a week prior --

15 THE COURT: -- Mist- --

16 MS. BROWN: -- had they gotten into an argument?

17 THE COURT: They'd gotten into an argument, and it was  
18 about how --

19 MS. BROWN: Mr. Bartlett speaks --

20 THE COURT: -- Mr. Bartlett talked to his wife?

21 MS. BROWN: Talks about his wife in -- in front of his  
22 children. Essentially, he's disresp- -- the argument --

23 THE COURT: Okay.

24 MS. BROWN: -- of course --

25 THE COURT: why don't you ask him the question outside the

1 presence of the jury?

2 MS. BROWN: Okay.

3 Q (By Ms. Brown) Isn't it true that within a week of this  
4 occurring, Mr. Goldesberry confronted you about the way that  
5 you speak regarding your ex-wife, Nikkie, in front of your  
6 children?

7 A Not that I recall.

8 Q Do --

9 A Nothing.

10 Q Do you recall there being a conversation that upset you  
11 over the phone where Mr. Goldesberry was telling you he did not  
12 appreciate the way that you talked about your ex-wife and the  
13 names that you called her at -- or being disparaging about her  
14 in the presence of your daughters, Meagan and Sara?

15 A No. Mr. Goldesberry was more disparaging about my wife  
16 than I ever was.

17 Q So you -- it's your testimony that you were not upset,  
18 within the week, at Mr. Goldesberry about anything?

19 A No, I was not.

20 THE COURT: So?

21 MS. BROWN: No need to reiterate that --

22 THE COURT: Okay.

23 MS. BROWN: -- in front of the jury.

24 THE COURT: So now are you through with this witness?

25 MS. BROWN: The only other record that I need to make is

1 that I -- the Government had filed a motion in limine that --

2 THE COURT: Okay. We're not going to do that now 'cause  
3 that's going to make us late. I'll let you do it after the  
4 jury's left.

5 MS. BROWN: Okay.

6 THE COURT: Please return the jury.

7 MR. MCWATERS: Brief redirect, Your Honor? Very brief.

8 THE COURT: It'll have to be very brief.

9 MR. MCWATERS: Yeah. Yeah, it will be.

10 THE COURT: After I release you, Mr. Nathan, you're to  
11 remain on-call until you hear otherwise. Okay?

12 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

13 THE COURT: I mean, Mr. Bartlett.

14 (Jury present.)

15 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

16 MS. BROWN: Your Honor, I pass the witness.

17 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

18 BY MR. MCWATERS:

19 Q Mr. Bartlett, do you remember defense counsel asking you  
20 questions about medical prescriptions that you were on?

21 A Yes.

22 Q And do you remember that she asked you if those medical  
23 prescriptions have any effect on your memory?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Do those medical prescriptions that you are taking

1 currently today affect your testimony today?

2 A No.

3 Q Did it affect your ability to testify truthfully today?

4 A No.

5 Q One other line, Mr. Bartlett, about -- defense counsel  
6 asked you, again, about you recording the conversation?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Were -- do you recall that?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Were you able to record the conversation?

11 A No.

12 Q Did the defendant ask you anything about recording the  
13 conversation?

14 A No.

15 Q All right.

16 MR. MCWATERS: Thank you.

17 THE COURT: Okay.

18 You may step down, sir. You're -- Mr. Bartlett, you --  
19 you're not released from your subpoena, though. You need to  
20 remain on-call.

21 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

22 THE COURT: Okay? Thank you, sir.

23 Ladies and gentlemen, thank you very much for your time  
24 and attention today. You've been a very good jury. And I know  
25 this is a long day, and I imagine some of you have long drives

1 home. I appreciate your patience. If you'll be back at  
2 nine o'clock tomorrow, we'll resume with this case.

3 I think we're on schedule or ahead of schedule, and I hope  
4 we'll keep it that way. Thank you. Remember my instructions.  
5 Do not talk about this case with anyone.

6 If you -- when you get home or if you call your friends,  
7 talk to family members, and they want to know about the case,  
8 you tell them the Judge is an old grouch, and he's instructed  
9 me not to talk about it and I'm not going to do it until the  
10 case is finished. Okay?

11 CSO: All rise.

12 (Jury out.)

13 THE COURT: You know, this is a short case without many  
14 witnesses and it -- it seems simple to me, but I'm not -- I'm  
15 not a lawyer in the case. It's simple, but it's got some --  
16 some wrinkles in it.

17 But there's -- there's not much dispute as to the acts  
18 that took place. It's all about intent. And that's why some  
19 of these things we wind up talking about seem -- I'm -- and  
20 it's difficult to understand the significance of them.

21 Ms. Brown, what do you want to do now? You want to --

22 MS. BROWN: I just wanted to make a -- may I approach the  
23 podium?

24 THE COURT: Yes.

25 MS. BROWN: Just to make sure you can hear me.

1       I just wanted to make a brief record for appellate  
2 purposes in the event that it -- an appeal were to become  
3 necessary. This morning, Your Honor heard a number of motions  
4 before we got started with voir dire.

5       **THE COURT:** Right.

6       **MS. BROWN:** And one of the motions that we heard was a  
7 Docket Item No. 54, which was the Government's motion in limine  
8 regarding Mr. Bartlett, who just testified, and his daughter  
9 and an incident where they were in bed, and he put his arm  
10 around her and touched her breast.

11       The Court sustained the Government's motion in limine, and  
12 so I didn't attempt to get into that with Mr. Bartlett in front  
13 of the jury. But in the event of an appeal, I wanted to  
14 re-urge my objection to the Court's ruling.

15       **THE COURT:** Okay.

16       **MS. BROWN:** Thanks, Judge.

17       **THE COURT:** Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Ms. Brown.

18       Okay. You've all had a long day. Have a good night.  
19 I'll see you back tomorrow at nine o'clock.

20       **MS. DIAL:** Your Honor --

21       **MS. BROWN:** Thanks, Judge.

22       **MS. DIAL:** -- can I briefly address the 404(b) matter?  
23 I promise it'll be brief.

24       **THE COURT:** Well, I read the *Isabella* case before we came,  
25 but you can go ahead and argue it. Yes.

1 MS. DIAL: I'm not even planning to argue. There was one  
2 additional case --

3 THE COURT: Okay.

4 MS. DIAL: -- that I've already provided to counsel, and I  
5 would like to provide to the Court.

6 THE COURT: Okay. That's great.

7 MS. DIAL: That was all.

8 THE COURT: Thank you.

9 MS. DIAL: It's the -- the *Meacham* or *Meacham* case and --

10 THE COURT: Okay.

11 MS. DIAL: -- that was it.

12 Not planning any argument unless the Court wishes to hear  
13 from the Government.

14 THE COURT: And it's a reported case?

15 MS. DIAL: It is.

16 THE COURT: Okay. That helps.

17 So you two -- you didn't go to school in Oklahoma,  
18 probably.

19 MS. DIAL: No, I did not.

20 THE COURT: Where'd you go to school?

21 MS. DIAL: Michigan.

22 THE COURT: University of Michigan?

23 MS. DIAL: No, Michigan State.

24 THE COURT: Michigan State.

25 MR. MCWATERS: Virginia. Actually I went to undergrad

1 here in Oklahoma, but I went to law school in Virginia.

2 THE COURT: Oh, you did?

3 MR. MCWATERS: Yes, sir.

4 THE COURT: UVA.

5 MS. BROWN: I actually didn't go to law school in  
6 Oklahoma.

7 THE COURT: You didn't? Where did you go?

8 MS. BROWN: Texas. I -- I -- I went to undergrad and law  
9 school at SMU in Dallas.

10 THE COURT: Oh, SMU?

11 MS. BROWN: Uh-huh.

12 THE COURT: Wow.

13 MS. BROWN: But then I came right back home.

14 (Discussion held off the record.)

15 THE COURT: So you have a copy of this case. I'll read  
16 this --

17 MS. BROWN: I --

18 THE COURT: -- before I see you tomorrow -- I won't say I'll  
19 read it tonight, but I'll read it before I see you tomorrow.

20 MS. DIAL: Thank you, Your Honor.

21 MS. BROWN: Thank you, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Have a good night.

23 Thank you for your help.

24 CSO: All rise.

25 (Proceedings adjourned at 5:02 p.m.)

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